# MercedCERA RETIREMENT BOARD MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 14, 2022 – 8:15 A.M. MERCED COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

# MERCED COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 2222 M STREET, MERCED LOS BANOS AND LIVINGSTON CONFERENCE ROOMS, BASEMENT ZOOM CONFERENCE

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CALL TO ORDER - 8:15 A.M.

#### **ROLL CALL**

All trustees present for the meeting.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES - June 09, 2022

The MercedCERA Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the minutes from the June 9, 2022 meeting.

Peterson/Silveira U/A (9/0)

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Members of the public may comment on any item under the Board's jurisdiction including items on the Board's agenda. Matters presented under this item will not be discussed or acted upon by the Board at this time. Persons addressing the Board will be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes in total. Please state your name for the record.

None.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Consent matters are expected to be routine and may be acted upon, without discussion, as one unit. If an item is taken off the Consent Calendar for discussion, it will be heard as the last item(s) of the Board Action/Discussion as appropriate.

#### **RETIREMENTS:** Pursuant to Govt. Code § 31663.25 or § 31672

All items of earnable compensation for service or disability retirements listed below are in compliance with the pay code schedule approved by the Board of Retirement. The retirement is authorized; however, administrative adjustments may be necessary to alter the amount due to: audit, late arrival of data, court order, etc.

a.	Miller, Victoria	Child Support Serv	ices 13 Yrs. Sv	c. Eff: 06/17/2022
b.	Delgadillo, Raul	H.S.A.	25 Yrs. Sv	c. Eff: 06/18/2022
c.	Alday, Rodney	Admin Services	27 Yrs. Svc.	Eff: 07/02/2022
d.	Smyth, D Renee	B.H.R.S.	30 Yrs. Svc	Eff: 06/18/2022
e.	Wilson, Ralph	D.P.W.	20 Yrs. Svc.	Eff: 07/02/2022
f.	Provencio, Gloria	M.C.M.C.	12 Yrs. Svc.	Eff: 07/01/2022
g.	Petty, Rebecca	H.S.A.	25 Yrs. Svc.	Eff: 07/02/2022
h.	Moua, Keo (SCD)	B.H.R.S.	22 Yrs. Svc.	Eff: 10/01/2020*
i.	Johnson, Dennis	Sheriff	14 Yrs. Svc.	Eff: 07/11/2022
j.	Soofi, Jin	B.H.R.S.	02 Yrs. Svc.	Eff: 07/08/2022

YTD fiscal year 2022/2023 retirees: 06 YTD fiscal year 2021/2022 retirees: 96 YTD fiscal year 2020/2021 retirees: 89 \*Service Connected Disability from Oct 2020

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT: Delayed due to year end closing.

VIRTUAL MEETINGS: Reaffirm the adoption of Merced County Employee's Retirement Association Resolution No. 2021-02, and its findings that the Governor's proclaimed state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic remains active, that the state of emergency impacts the ability of the Trustees and public to safely meet in person, and state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

The MercedCERA Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the consent calendar.

Silveira/Adams U/A (9/0)

#### **BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION**

1. Discussion and possible action to appoint MercedCERA Board Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary - Chair.

The Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to appoint Trustees Paskin as Chair, Johnston as V. Chair and Peterson as Secretary. Adams/Silveira U/A (9/0)

- Discussion on the potential disposition of real property owned by the Association located at 3199 M Street, Merced, CA – Staff.
   Staff given direction.
- 3. Discussion and possible action to approve proposed policy on the release of information for members, trustees and employees Staff.

The MercedCERA Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the proposed policy.

Adams/Cabral U/A (9/0)

4. Discussion on the arrangement for professional photographs of trustees and full-time staff for the MercedCERA webpage – Staff.

No action taken, information only.

5. The Chair asked Trustees to vote to add an urgent agenda item to consider a non-pensionable pay code as requested by the County of Merced.

A motion was made to add the urgent agenda item and Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to add the item.

Cabral/Adams U/A (9/0)

6. Discussion and possible action to approve non-pensionable pay code 3457 On Call Enhanced Pay for regular and probationary employees in the classification of Supervising Social Workers I/II for Child Welfare Services Emergency Response.

The MercedCERA Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the non-pensionable pay code of 3457.

Silveira/Cabral U/A (9/0)

- 7. Review calendar of any training sessions and authorize expenditures for Trustees and Plan Administrator. Pursuant to Govt. Code § 31522.8 and MercedCERA's Trustees Education and Training Policy requirements. Examples of upcoming training and educational sessions:
  - SACRS UC Berkeley Program, July 17-20, 2022, Berkeley, CA.
  - CALAPRS Principles for Pension Governance for Trustees, August 29-September 1, 2022, Tiburon, CA.
  - Administrator's Institute (for Plan Administrator only), September 28 30, 2022, Long Beach, CA.
  - SACRS Fall Conference, November 8 11, 2022, Long Beach, CA (registration not currently open).
  - CALAPRS General Assembly, March 4 7, 2023 Monterey, CA (registration not currently open)

Plan Administrator to attend the Administrator's Institute in Long Beach, CA. Trustees Harris, Rosenberg and Paskin to attend the Principles for Pension Governance for Trustees in Tiburon, CA.

Trustees Ness and Cabral to attend the SACRS Fall Conference in Long Beach, CA.

The Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to send the Trustees and Plan Administrator to the above training courses.

Johnston/Peterson U/A (9/0)

#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

- Trustee Cabral would like an update on the progress of work with the CPAS system.
- Trustees were given a verbal update that on July 19th the Board of Supervisors will hear the MercedCERA agenda item to adopt section code 31522.3, which puts the investment officer position under the direction of the MercedCERA Retirement Board.
- Investment Subcommittee meeting will follow immediately after the July 28<sup>th</sup> meeting (virtual meeting)

## **MercedCERA UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS**

Please note: The MercedCERA Board Meeting and/or Education Day times and dates may be changed in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act by the MercedCERA Board as required.

- July 28, 2022 (note room change very small room, trustees encouraged to attend virtually)
- August 11, 2022

# <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 A.M.

Accepted By,

Trustee Name/Position	Signature	Date
Ryan Paskin/ Chair		8/12/2022
Al Peterson/Secretary	alprise Peters	08/11/2022