# MCERA RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2019 MERCED COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION 3199 M STREET, MERCED, CA 95348

ROLL CALL: 8:15 A.M.

**Board Members Present:** Karen Adams, Scott Silveira, Janey Cabral (left at 9:47 am), Ryan Paskin, Michael Rhodes, Alfonse Peterson, David Ness (arrived at 8:17 am), and Jason Goins (left at 9:47 am). **Counsel:** Forrest Hansen. **Staff:** Kristie Santos, Mark Harman, Michael Lee, and Brenda Mojica.

Absent: Darlene Ingersoll, Scott Johnston.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 27, 2019.

Motion to approve the June 27, 2019 meeting minutes.

Silveira/Peterson U/A (7-0).

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

# **CLOSED SESSION**

Reorder of Items: Closed Session Item 3 was moved to Closed Session Item 1.

The meeting went into Closed Session.

## **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

(1) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING INVESTMENTS IN RECOMMENDED FUNDS, ROLL CALL VOTE REQUIRED

(Govt. Code § 54956.81)

a) Discussion and possible action regarding purchase terms of two funds - Staff.

Motion to approve the change of purchase terms for the Taurus Master and Annex funds.

Adams/Cabral

U/A (8-0).

**Roll Call Vote:** 

Yes -Peterson, Adams, Cabral, Goins, Rhodes, Silveira, Ness, Paskin.

- (2) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation. (Govt. Code § 54956.9)

  Direction given to staff.
- (3) DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATIONS: PERSONNEL EXCEPTION (Govt. Code § § 54957, 31532; Cal Const. art. I, § 1)

  No action taken.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **RETIREMENTS:**

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.	Neally, Lisa	HSA	7 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 07/01/2019
b.	Leach, Laura	Library	1 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 06/01/2019
c.	Urbina, Jorge	BHRS	5 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 06/01/2019
d.	Valizan, Mathew	DPW	15 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 01/26/2018*
e.	Reyna, Lisa	Beh Hlth	20 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 07/08/2019
f.	Clark, Cathleen	HSA	19 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 06/29/2019

YTD fiscal year 2019/2020 retirees: 006 YTD fiscal year 2018/2019 retirees: 098 YTD fiscal year 2017/2018 retirees: 082

\*SCD granted 6/13/2019.

**REFUND OF SERVICE PURCHASE: None** 

**DEATH BENEFIT: None** 

**MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT:** None

Motion to approve Consent Calendar.

Rhodes/Peterson U/A (8-0).

## **REGULAR CALENDAR**

## BOARD ACTION¹/DISCUSSION

1. Discussion and possible action to nominate and appoint MCERA Board of Retirement Officer positions (Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary) – Vice Chair.

Motion to nominate and appoint Ryan Paskin as Chair.

Adams/Goins U/A (8-0).

Motion to nominate and appoint Scott Johnston as Vice Chair.

Peterson/Adams U/A (8-0).

Motion to nominate and appoint Al Peterson as Secretary.

Adams/Ness U/A (8-0).

- 2. Discussion on MCERA Board Seat Elections timeline for Seat 2, 7 and 7A Staff. No action taken.
- 3. Discussion and possible action on the Legislation Review as of June 26, 2019 Staff. **No action taken.**
- 4. Review calendar of any training sessions and authorize expenditures for Trustees and Plan Administrator. Pursuant to Govt. Code § 31522.8 and MCERA's Trustees Education and Training Policy requirements. Examples of upcoming training and educational sessions:
  - a. Principles of Pension Management for Trustees, August 26-29, 2019 Malibu, CA.
  - b. Nossaman Fiduciary Forum, September 4-5, 2019, Berkeley, CA.
  - c. CALAPRS Administrators Institute (Plan Administrator only), September 25-27, 2019, Carmel, CA.

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- d. Trustee Roundtable, October 25, 2019, Oakland, CA.
- e. SACRS Fall Conference, November 12-15, 2019, Monterey, CA.
- f. CALAPRS General Assembly, March 7-10, 2020, Rancho Mirage, CA.
- g. SACRS Spring Conference, May 12-15, 2020, San Diego, CA.

No action taken.

# **INFORMATION ONLY**

Reminder to the Board to submit checks for the Waiver of Recourse from Alliant Insurance Services for fiduciary insurance.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Paskin, Chair

Al Peterson, Secretary

7/25/19

Date

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