

**ORANGE COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM
2223 E. WELLINGTON AVENUE, SUITE100
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701**

**DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
February 16, 2021
8:30 a.m.**

MINUTES

OPEN SESSION

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Attendance was as follows:

Present via Zoom Video conference pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020:

Adele Tagaloa, Chair; Charles Packard; Roger Hilton

Also Present via Zoom:

Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer; Gina Ratto, General Counsel; Suzanne Jenike, Assistant CEO, External Operations; Megan Cortez, Disability Manager; David Acuña, Disability Investigator; Sonal Sharma, Recording Secretary; Anthony Beltran, Audio Visual Technician

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION by Packard, **seconded** by Hilton, to approve staff's recommendation on all of the following items on the Consent Agenda.

The motion passed **unanimously**.

DC-1: KATHERINE KLUG

Eligibility Supervisor, Orange County Social Services Agency (General Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as February 1, 2017.

DC-2: MEGAN MEIER

Deputy Coroner, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as the day after the last date of regular compensation.

DC-3: EDWARD MOSQUEDA

Firefighter, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as August 3, 2018.

DC-4: GABRIELLE PELOQUIN

Lieutenant, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as January 3, 2020.

DC-5: STEVE ROVANO

Fire Captain/Paramedic, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as March 27, 2020.

DC-6: FERNANDO SALAS

Fire Captain, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as April 15, 2020.

The Disability Committee adjourned into closed session at 8:34 a.m.

The Disability Committee reconvened into open session at 8:40 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

A. REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

DA-2: MINH TAM LUONG – PULLED PER APPLICANT’S REQUEST.

DA-3: SHERI PAK – PULLED PER APPLICANT’S REQUEST.

DA-4: SOU PHOMMASA

Office Technician, Orange County Community Resources/Housing Authority (General Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant non-service connected disability retirement
- Set the effective date as June 12, 2015
- Deny service connected disability due to insufficient evidence of job causation.

MOTION by Packard, **seconded** by Hilton to approve staff recommendation.

The motion passed **unanimously.**

B. MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 19, 2021 DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes.

MOTION by Packard, **seconded** by Hilton to approve the Minutes.

The motion passed **unanimously.**

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF

Ms. Jenike advised that two policies will be brought to the March Disability Committee Meeting.

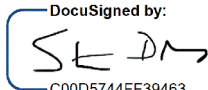
COMMENTS COUNSEL COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 a.m.

Submitted by:

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Steve Delaney
Secretary to the Board

Approved by:

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Adele Tagaloa
Chair