

**ORANGE COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM
2223 E. WELLINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 100
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701**

**DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, October 16, 2023**

10:00 A.M. or immediately following the Regular Board Meeting, whichever is later.

Members of the Committee

Richard Oates, Chair
Roger Hilton
Chuck Packard
Jeremy Vallone (Alternate)

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AGENDA

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OPEN SESSION

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
- 2. BOARD MEMBER STATEMENT REGARDING PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM (IF NECESSARY)
(Government Code section 54953(f))**

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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At this time, members of the public may comment on (1) matters not included on the agenda, provided that the matter is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee; and (2) any matter appearing on the Consent Agenda.

In addition, public comment on matters listed on this agenda will be taken at the time the item is addressed.

CONSENT ITEMS

All matters on the Consent Agenda are to be approved by one action unless a Committee member requests separate action on a specific item.

None

CLOSED SESSION

Government Code section 54957

Adjourn to Closed Session under Government Code section 54957 to consider disability applications and to discuss member medical records submitted in connection therewith. The member may waive confidentiality and request his or her disability application to be considered in Open Session.

DA-1: INDIVIDUAL ACTION ON ANY ITEM TRAILED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

DA-2: SANDRA LEONARD

Technical Systems Specialist, Orange County Health Care Agency (General)

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

- Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement without prejudice because the member has opted not to join in the employer filed application.

DA-3: JASON TIMMINS

Sheriff's Special Officer, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety)

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

Retirement a recommendation to:

- Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement without prejudice because the member has opted not to join in the employer filed application.

OPEN SESSION

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

ACTION ITEMS:

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A-1 MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 21, 2023 DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS

COUNSEL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETINGS

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING

October 26, 2023

1:00 P.M.

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BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING

October 30, 2023

9:30 A.M.

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**DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, August 21, 2023
8:30 a.m.
MINUTES**

OPEN SESSION

Chair Oates called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Recording Secretary administered roll call.

Attendance was as follows: Richard Oates, Chair; Charles Packard; Roger Hilton

Also in Attendance: Suzanne Jenike, Assistant CEO, External Operations; Manuel Serpa, Interim General Counsel; Nicole McIntosh, Director of Disability; Brittany Brayboy, Disability Retirement Investigator; Cesar Rodriguez, Disability Retirement Investigator; William Singleton, Paralegal; Anthony Beltran, Audio Visual Technician; Marielle Horst, Recording Secretary; Rebeca Gonzalez-Verdugo, Executive Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION by Packard, **seconded** by Hilton, to approve staff's recommendation on the following Consent Agenda item. The motion passed **unanimously**.

DC-1: ALEXANDER ALLUIN

Eligibility Technician, Orange County Social Services Agency (General)

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 July 3, 2020.

CLOSED SESSION

DA-1: INDIVIDUAL ACTION ON ANY ITEM TRAILED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

DA-2: GERMAINE DELGADO

Deputy Juvenile Correctional Officer II, Orange County Probation Department (Safety)

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

- Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement due to lack of substantial medical evidence of permanent incapacity and service connection.

DA-3: RICHARD TRAN

Employment and Eligibility Specialist, Orange County Social Services (General)

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

- Deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of job causation.

OPEN SESSION

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Ms. Jenike reported the Disability Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff recommendations as presented for DA-2 and DA-3.

A-1 MINUTES FROM THE MAY 17, 2023, DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes.

MOTION by Packard, **seconded** by Hilton to approve the May 17, 2023, Disability Committee meeting minutes. The motion passed **unanimously**.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Hilton asked the Committee if essential staff can be permitted to stay during the closed session portion of the meeting, therefore ensuring the efficient performance of the meeting. Mr. Serpa confirmed that it would be appropriate for certain essential staff to remain in the closed sessions to ensure effective performance of the Committee. With the Committee's agreement, Mr. Oates proclaimed all essential staff will be permitted to participate in closed session meetings.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS

N/A

COUNSEL COMMENTS

N/A

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

Submitted by:

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Suzanne Jenike
Staff Liaison

Steve Delaney
Secretary to the Board

Richard Oates
Chair