



San Bernardino County Employees'
Retirement Association

BOARD OF RETIREMENT

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 5, 2023

9:00 AM

Board Room

Trustees Present:

MARC BRACCO, Safety Member (Chair)
JEAN-RENE BASLE, Appointed Member (Vice-Chair)
ERIC RALEY, General Member
DAWN STAFFORD, Retired Member
NEAL WANER, Appointed Member
JARED NEWCOMER, Alternate Safety Member

Others Present:

DEBBY CHERNEY, Chief Executive Officer
BARBARA HANNAH, Chief Counsel
STACEY BARNIER, Director of HR and Risk Management
DAVE LANTZER, Sr. Staff Counsel
DONALD PIERCE, Chief Investment Officer
CHRISTA JAMES, Clerk of the Board
JOHN KENNEDY, Nossaman

Absent:

LOUIS FIORINO, General Member
MICHAEL KENNEDY, Appointed Member
ENSEN MASON, Treasurer
DAWN ROWE, Appointed Member
HARRY HATCH, Alternate Retired Member
JOHN JOHNSON, Alternate Ex-Officio Member

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Chair Bracco called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Board Chair Bracco announced protocol regarding public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment was provided.

CONSENT

A motion was made by Waner, seconded by Stafford, to Approve the Consent Calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Basle, Stafford, Waner, Newcomer, Bracco, and Raley

1. Approve minutes of regular meeting conducted on September 7, 2023. [23-410](#)
2. Approve minutes of Special Board of Retirement Meeting conducted on September 14, 2023. [23-399](#)
3. Approve minutes of Special Board of Retirement Meeting conducted on September 15, 2023. [23-400](#)
4. Approve Service Retirements. [23-390](#)
5. Approve the Service-Connected Disability Retirement application of Roland Acevedo - San Bernardino County - District Attorney. [23-389](#)
6. Approve the Service-Connected Disability Retirement application of Julie Brumm-Landen - San Bernardino County - Sheriff. [23-395](#)
7. Approve the Service-Connected Disability Retirement application of Brian Crowell - San Bernardino County - County Fire. [23-394](#)
8. Approve the Nonservice-Connected Disability Retirement with Supplemental Retirement Allowance of Margarita Macias - Human Services - San Bernardino County. [23-393](#)
9. Approve the Service-Connected Disability Retirement application of Wade Samuelsen - San Bernardino County - Sheriff. [23-392](#)
10. Approve the Nonservice-Connected Disability Retirement with Supplemental Retirement Allowance of Licy E. Tata Caspa - San Bernardino County - Human Services. [23-396](#)
11. Approve the Nonservice-Connected Disability Retirement with Supplemental Retirement Allowance of Barbara Woloshin - San Bernardino County - Child Support Services. [23-403](#)
12. Approve extension of Special Assignment Compensation in the amount of 7.5% of base salary for the Senior Disability Retirement Specialist in the Disability Retirement Unit effective September 9, 2023 through November 3, 2023 or such sooner date as the CEO determines SAC pay is no longer appropriate. [23-415](#)
13. Ratify the attendance and related expenses of Louis Fiorino to the CNBC Delivering Alpha Conference in New York, NY on September 28, 2023. [23-407](#)
14. Appointment of Trustee Eric Raley as Voting Delegate and Trustee John Johnson as Alternate Voting Delegate for the 2023 SACRS Fall Business Meeting on Friday, November 10, 2023. [23-409](#)

ACTION ITEMS

15. Action on Deferred Items from Consent, if any. [23-413](#)

No Items deferred from Consent Calendar.

INFORMATION ITEMS

16. Report on the Budget vs Actual Review - For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023. [23-347](#)

Received and filed.

CLOSED SESSION

17. Approve the Nonservice-Connected Disability Retirement with Supplemental Retirement Allowance of Lisa R. Parsons - San Bernardino County - Human Services. [23-397](#)

A motion was made by Newcomer, seconded by Stafford, to Approve the Staff Recommendation finding that Lisa R. Parsons is permanently incapacitated for the performance of duties and a nonservice-connected disability retirement be granted. Ms. Parsons is not capable of gainful employment; therefore, granting the supplemental disability retirement allowance. Staff shall initiate disability benefit payments with an effective date of January 3, 2023, date of application. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Basle, Stafford, Waner, Newcomer, Bracco, and Raley

Other Closed Session Matters:

18. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION [23-404](#)
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: one case.

A motion was made by Raley, seconded by Waner, to grant staff authority to file an amicus brief or participate as a signatory on a joint amicus brief in the California Court of Appeal case Los Angeles County Employees' Retirement Association v. County of Los Angeles and Board of Supervisors (2023) Case No. B326977. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Basle, Stafford, Waner, Newcomer, Bracco, and Raley

19. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION [23-406](#)
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision of Section 54956.9: one case.

No reportable action was taken.

OPEN SESSION

20. Report by Counsel on actions taken in Closed Session. [23-414](#)

Counsel reported on actions taken in Closed Session. Barnier, staff, stated that

no reportable action was taken on Item No. 19.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS

21. Chief Executive Officer. [23-412](#)

Received and filed.

22. Chief Counsel. [23-405](#)

Received and filed.

23. Chief Investment Officer. [23-398](#)

Received and filed.

TRUSTEE ATTENDANCE REPORTS

24. Report by the Trustees concerning conferences and other meetings attended (as specified by Education & Training Policy No. 003 - "Trustee Travel and Expense Policy"). [23-411](#)

Trustees reported on their attendance.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No suggestions for future agenda items.

ADJOURN

Board Chair Bracco adjourned the meeting at 10:02 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

MARC BRACCO, Board Chair

DEBBY CHERNEY, Board Secretary

DATED: _____