

**MCERA RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2019
MERCED COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION
3199 M STREET, MERCED, CA 95348**

ROLL CALL: 8:15 A.M.

Board Members Present: Ryan Paskin, Scott Johnston, Alfonse Peterson, Karen Adams, Scott Silveira, Darlene Ingersoll, Janey Cabral, and Jason Goins. **Counsel:** Forrest Hansen. **Staff:** Kristie Santos, Adriana Valdez, Michelle Lee, Sheri Villagrana and Brenda Mojica.

Absent: Michael Rhodes and David Ness.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 25, 2019.

Motion to approve the July 25, 2019 meeting minutes.

Silveira/Johnston U/A (8-0).

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) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation. (Govt. Code § 54956.9)

Number of Potential Cases: 1

Trustee Scott Silveira recused himself.

Direction given to staff.

(2) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

(Gov. Code section 54956.8.)

Property: 690 West 19th St. Merced, CA

Agency negotiator: Kristen Santos

Negotiating parties: Merced Designated Local Authority

Under negotiation: Property Purchase

Trustee Scott Silveira recused himself.

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. Ruiz, Mary	H.S.A.	5 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 07/12/2019
b. Ruiz, Olga	H.S.A.	15 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 07/18/2019
c. Kersten, Jack	DPW	15 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 07/13/2019
d. Gordon, James	Sheriff	1 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 07/27/2019
e. Arroyo, Elizabeth	H.S.A.	25 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 07/11/2019
f. Brown, Steven	D.A.	23 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 07/27/2019
g. Forrest, Catherine	H.S.A.	1 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/01/2019
h. Sandhaus, David	D.A.	20 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/03/2019
i. Harris, Kenneth	DPW	14 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 11/10/2018*
j. Nutt, Harold	DA	22 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 01/05/2019*
k. Bedker, David	Admin	30 Yrs. Svc.	Eff. 08/03/2019

YTD fiscal year 2019/2020 retirees: 015

YTD fiscal year 2018/2019 retirees: 100

YTD fiscal year 2017/2018 retirees: 082

*Public reporting members date of retirement. Oversight not previously reported.

REFUND OF SERVICE PURCHASE: None

DEATH BENEFIT: None

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT: None, due to year end. Will be reported at later date.

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

REGULAR CALENDAR

BOARD ACTION¹/DISCUSSION

1. Discussion and possible action to recommend Trustees Paskin and Ness for reappointment by the Merced County Board of Supervisor to the MCERA Board of Retirement – Vice Chair.

Trustee Paskin recused himself from this item and vote.

Motion to approve recommendation of Trustee Paskin and Ness for reappointment.

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

2. Discussion and possible action on Resolution by MCERA Board of Retirement for purchase of real property located at 690 West 19th St. Merced, CA – Staff.

Trustee Silveira recused himself from this item and vote.

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Motion to approve Resolution with a change to replace Attest by Plan Administrator to Attest by Al Peterson, Board Secretary.

Adams/Ingersoll U/A (7-0).

3. Discussion and possible action on any piece of legislation in Legislative Review – 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.
 - 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

Trustee Ingersoll expressed her condolences of the passing of former Retirement Board Trustee, Sandy Teague.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ryan Paskin, Chair



Al Peterson, Secretary

8-22-19
Date

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