MCERA GENERAL RETIREMENT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday October 10, 2013

Roll Call: 8:20 AM

Board Members Present:
Ronald Kinchloe, David Ness, Michael Rhodes, Mary McWatters, Darlene Ingersoll, Jim Pacheco, Scott Johnston, Deidre Kelsey and Al Peterson. ***Counsel***: Michael Calabrese ***Staff:*** Maria L. Arevalo, David Liu, and Brenda Mojica.

Absent: Karen Adams and Mark Bodley – excused.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve September 26, 2013 Board meeting minutes.
Ingersoll/Pacheco. U/A

PUBLIC COMMENT: **None**

CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION:

Existing Litigation Government Code Section 54956.9(a): AFSCME Local 2703 et al v. MCERA, Merced Sup. Ct. Case No. CV003073.

It is the intention of the Retirement Board to meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 31532 regarding the confidentiality of member records. Update on the status of or deliberation and action on the application of disability retirements for:

1. Jenny Juarez: set date for formal hearing
2. Lisa Wiseman
3. Tim Moore
4. Floyd Shepard III
5. Daniel Bobrowski
6. David Baker
   Informal Hearing – Dorothy Jimenez (Staff recommendation)
   Formal Hearing – None

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

No discussion was related to Merced Superior Court case CV003073.

- **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION – Motion to dismiss with prejudice the disability application for Dorothy Jimenez.**
  Kinchloe/McWatters. U/A

BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION:

1. **Approval and adoption of MCERA Retired Member Communication policy.**
   Ms. Arevalo presented MCERA's communication policy to the Board. Trustees reviewed and discussed the policy.
   Motion to adopt MCERA's Retired Communication Policy.
   Kinchloe/Ingersoll. U/A

2. **Direction to voting delegates on SACRS legislative proposal for 2014.**
   Ms. Arevalo presented SACRS proposed legislative Platform to the Board. Trustees reviewed and discussed the legislative proposal. Staff recommends approval of the legislative proposal.
   Motion to authorize voting delegate to support the legislative proposal at the SACRS business meeting.
   Peterson/Kelsey. U/A

3. **MCERA Budget Status Review for first quarter.**
   Staff presented the First Quarter 2013/2014 Budget Status Report to the Board.

4. **Discussion of recommendation from Strategic Committee related to Plan Administrator recruitment including qualifications and compensation and recommendation related to staff changes; possible Board Action.**
   Ms. Arevalo presented the BAI on the recommendation from the Strategic Committee related to the new Plan Administrator to the Board. Ms. Arevalo noted after reviewing the responsibilities of the Plan Administrator and the 2013 Salary Survey conducted by CALAPRS, the Committee recommends changes to the salary range and the job specifications and qualifications for the position. Trustees reviewed and discussed the recommendations.
   Motion to approve the new salary range for the new Retirement Plan Administrator position.
   Peterson/Kelsey

   Amend the previous motion and motion to approve the new salary range and changes to the job qualification for the new Retirement Plan Administrator position.
   Pacheco/Kelsey.
   Yes: Ness, Pacheco, Kelsey, Peterson, Rhodes and Ingersoll
   No: Kinchloe

   Ms. Arevalo also presented the BAI on the recommendation from the Strategic Committee related to the Retirement Officer and Fiscal Supervisor to the Board. Trustees reviewed and discussed the recommendations. After discussion, the Board decided to revisit the recommendation related to Retirement Officer early next year and approves the recommendation related to Fiscal Supervisor.
   Motion to approve the new salary range for fiscal supervisor and authorize Plan Administrator to seek increase and reclassification from County HR.
   Peterson/Pacheco.
   Yes: Pacheco, Ness, Kelsey, Ingersoll and Peterson
   No: Kinchloe, Rhodes

5. **Recommendation on retaining Alliance Resource Consulting or CPS HR Consulting, possible Board Action.**
   Ms. Arevalo presented the proposals from the two firms selected by the committee, Alliance Resource Consulting and CPS HR Consulting. The Board reviewed and discussed the proposals from each firm and directs staff to negotiate contract with CPS HR Consulting.
   Motion to approve contract negotiation with CPS HR Consulting.
   Kinchloe/Pacheco.

   Amend above motion and motion to approve contract negotiation with CPS HR Consulting and cap expenses at $5,000.
   Kinchloe/Pacheco. U/A

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Consent matters are acted upon as one unit, if an item is taken off the Consent Calendar for discussion; it will be heard as the last item(s) of Board Action/Discussion as appropriate.

1. **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.

1.	Jimenez, Manuel	Mental Health	Eff. 10/05/2013
2.	Andersen, Pamela	Health	Eff. 09/04/2013
3.	Hymiller, Patricia	CAED	Eff. 09/21/2013
4.	Post, Elaine	CEO	Eff. 07/13/2013
5.	Wilson, Terry	Assessor	Eff. 10/08/2013

2. **REFUND OF SERVICE PURCHASE: None**

3. **DEATH BENEFIT: None**

   Motion to approve consent calendar.
   Pacheco/Ingersoll. UA

INFORMATION:

Trustee Kelsey is reappointed to the Board of Retirement by the Board of Supervisors.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OTHER BUSINESS: Future Meetings, Conferences, Future Agenda Items.

Barrow, Hanley: Education presentation on TIPS and portfolio review: October 24, 2013.
External Audit Presentation: Gini, Macias and O'Connell: October 24, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT 9:31 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

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David Ness, Chairman

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Al Peterson, Secretary

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Date