

REVISED on MAY 13, 2019 Alameda County Employees' Retirement Association BOARD OF RETIREMENT

NOTICE and AGENDA

ACERA MISSION:

<u>To provide ACERA members and employers with flexible, cost-effective, participant-oriented benefits through prudent investment management and superior member services.</u>

Thursday, May 16, 2019 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION	BOARD OF RETIREMENT - MEMBERS		
ACERA	GEORGE WOOD	ELECTED GENERAL	
C.G. "BUD" QUIST BOARD ROOM 475 14 TH STREET, 10 TH FLOOR	CHAIR		
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA 94612-1900	HENRY LEVY	TREASURER	
MAIN LINE: 510.628.3000	FIRST VICE-CHAIR		
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	ELIZABETH ROGERS	ELECTED GENERAL	
	SECOND VICE-CHAIR		
	DALE AMARAL	ELECTED SAFETY	
	OPHELIA BASGAL	APPOINTED	
	KEITH CARSON	APPOINTED	
	THE PROPERTY CALLED A	A DROWNER	
	TARRELL GAMBLE	APPOINTED	
	JAIME GODFREY	APPOINTED	
	JAIME GUDEKE I	ALLOUNTED	
	LIZ KOPPENHAVER	ELECTED RETIRED	
	LIZ KOTTEMIAVEK	ELECTED RETIRED	
	NANCY REILLY	ALTERNATE RETIRED ¹	
	THING RELEASE		
	DARRYL L.WALKER	ALTERNATE SAFETY ²	

Note regarding public comments: Public comments are limited to four (4) minutes per person in total.

The order of agendized items is subject to change without notice. Board and Committee agendas and minutes are available online at www.acera.org.

¹ Alternate Retired Member (Votes in the absence of the Elected Retired Member, or, if the Elected Retired Member is present, then votes if both Elected General members, or the Elected Safety Member and an Elected General member, are absent.

² Alternate Safety Member (Votes in the absence of (1) the Elected Safety, (2) either of the two Elected General Members, or (3) both the Retired and Alternate Retired members).

Note regarding accommodations: The Board of Retirement will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with special needs of accessibility who plan to attend Board meetings. Please contact ACERA at (510) 628-3000 to arrange for accommodation.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:
- 2. ROLL CALL:
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT:
- 4. CONSENT CALENDAR:
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April 17, 2019 Investment Committee Minutes

April 18, 2019 Actuarial Committee Minutes

April 18, 2019 Governance Committee Minutes

April 18, 2019 Audit Committee Minutes

April 18, 2019 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

I. MISCELLENOUS MATTERS:

Operations Committee Information Item(s):

- 1. Quarterly Financial Statements as of March 31, 2019
- 2. Operating Expenses as of March 31, 2019
- 3. Quarterly Cash Forecast Report as of March 31, 2019
- 4. Board Member Conference Expense Report for 1st Qtr. 2019
- 5. Senior Manager Conference and Training Expense Report for 1st Qtr. 2019

REGULAR CALENDAR REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

5. DISABILITIES, RECOMMENDATIONS AND MOTIONS:

(Item(s) will be heard in Closed Executive Session)

None.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND MOTIONS:

A. Investment:

- 1. Summary of the May 15, 2019, Meeting.
- 2. Motion that the Board adopt an up to \$60 million Investment in Great Hill Equity Partners VII as part of ACERA's Private Equity Portfolio Buyouts and Venture Capital.
- 3. Motion that the Board adopt Alternative #2 in the Asset Liability Integration Study.

B. Actuarial:

- 1. Summary of the May 16, 2019, Meeting.
- 2. Motion to adopt the Actuarial Valuation and Review as of December 31, 2018, including the employer and employee contribution rates.

C. Audit:

- 1. Summary of the May 16, 2019, Meeting.
- 2. Motion that the Board accept and file the December 31, 2018, audited Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Report.
- 3. Motion that the Board adopt the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67 Actuarial Valuation as of December 31, 2018.
- 4. Motion that the Board adopt the GASB Statement No. 74 Actuarial Valuation as of December 31, 2018.
- 5. Motion that the Board adopt the Addendums to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67 and Statement No 74 Actuarial Valuations as of December 31, 2018.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion that after contributions are made to the 401(h) accounts by the respective Participating Employers, ACERA, in accordance with the CERL, treat an equal amount of Supplemental Retiree Benefit Reserve assets as employer contributions for pensions and transfer the amount equal to the pro rata share of the 401(h) contributions for the 2019-2020 fiscal year for each Participating Employer. The exact amount will be adjusted by the balance remaining in each of the 401(h) accounts and is contingent upon receipt by ACERA of an authorizing resolution from the Participating Employers' governing bodies.
- **B.** Chief Executive Officer's Report.
- 8. CONFERENCE REPORTS/ORAL REPORTS:
- 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
- **10. BOARD INPUT:**
- 11. CLOSED SESSION:
 - **A. Pursuant to Government Code § 54957**: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
- 12. REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:
- 13. ESTABLISHMENT OF NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, June 20, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

DOUNG, Tuan

ALMENDRAL, Angelina

Alameda Health System General Services Agency Effective: 3/7/2018 Effective: 1/24/2019

ARBUCKLE, Jason H.

Sheriff's Office

Effective: 3/23/2019

DUNSTON, Bobbie J.

Alameda Health System

Effective: 3/9/2019

BALCE, Brenda ESCARSEGA, Yvonne D Alameda Health System Effective: 12/20/2018 Effective: 8/12/2017

BERRYMAN, Alan P. FAN, Amy
Sheriff's Office Social Services Agency
Effective: 3/6/2019 Effective: 3/5/2019

BOWERS, Riddic M.

Sheriff's Office

Effective: 3/23/2019

GEORGE, Margaret A.

General Services Agency

Effective: 3/23/2019

BROWN, Dana J. GRAVES, Valerie L. Social Services Agency Sheriff's Office Effective: 2/23/2019 Effective: 12/1/2018

CALVIN, Michael GREIF, Cynthia R.

Probation Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 3/9/2019 Effective: 3/2/2019

CAMPBELL, Wendelyn A.

Child Support Services

Effective: 3/23/2019

JACKSON, Brenda

Alameda Health System

Effective: 11/28/2018

DE LEON, Mercedes A.

Alameda Health System

Effective: 11/14/2018

JUNG, Colman

District Attorney

Effective: 3/23/2019

DEBOSE, Christopher KOELSCH, Sharon M. Alameda Health System Child Support Services Effective: 10/5/2018 Effective: 2/23/2019

LEFEVRE, Frederick W.

Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 3/23/2019

MCCARTNEY, Marilyn

Alameda Health System

Effective: 3/7/2019

MCCOWAN, Denise L.

Social Services Agency

Effective: 3/9/2019

MCNULTY, Carmen Z.

Alameda Health System

Effective: 1/30/2019

MORODOMI, Abraham R.

Sheriff's Office

Effective: 3/23/2019

MORRISON, Doris

Social Services Agency

Effective: 3/9/2019

MOSES, Porcia

Alameda Health System

Effective: 3/9/2019

OVALLE, Esther

General Services Agency

Effective: 9/21/2018

PANORI, Michael C.

General Services Agency

Effective: 3/23/2019

PETERS, Janet D.

Sheriff's Office

Effective: 3/15/2019

RICHARDSON, Debra F.

Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 3/23/2019

ROBERTS, Danette M.

Probation

Effective: 3/23/2019

SCHWARTZ, Harvey N.

Information Technology Department

Effective: 3/23/2019

SEQUEIRA, Kenneth M.

Public Works

Effective: 3/23/2019

SEQUEIRA, Sherry A.

Child Support Services

Effective: 3/23/2019

SHANKAR, Anand

Community Development Agency

Effective: 3/9/2019

SIDES, Mary J.

Child Support Services

Effective: 3/23/2019

SMITH, Louis P.

General Services Agency

Effective: 1/4/2019

SMITH, Yolanda C.

Child Support Services

Effective: 3/23/2019

SOTO, Maria

Social Services Agency

Effective: 3/23/2019

STEPHENS, Robert L.

Superior Court

Effective: 3/14/2019

TAYLOR, Maurice

Assessor

Effective: 3/23/2019

TRAM, Ha T. WARING, Robert L.

General Services Agency Community Development Agency

Effective: 3/9/2019 Effective: 3/22/2019

URBI, Eleanor A. ZAMORA, Noemilyn C. Child Support Services Alameda Health System Effective: 3/23/2019 Effective: 4/1/2018

WALES, Sarah H.

Social Services Agency
Effective: 3/23/2019

ZIMMERMAN, Scott A.

Social Services Agency
Effective: 3/9/2019

WANG, Yen C. ZINK, Richard G.

Alameda Health System Information Technology Department

Effective: 2/2/2019 Effective: 3/23/2019

APPENDIX B APPLICATION FOR DEFERRED RETIREMENT

HOOVER, Joshua A. Sheriff's Office

Effective Date: 3/8/2019

KESSLER, Kelley D. Social Services Agency Effective: 3/8/2019

SMITH, Adrian

Alameda Health System Effective: 10/5/2018

WHATLEY, Sara A.

Zone 7

Effective: 6/20/2019

YANG, Wei F.

Treasurer-Tax Collector Effective: 2/22/2019

APPENDIX B - 1 APPLICATION FOR NON-VESTED DEFERRED

ANDREWS, Julie A. Social Services Agency Effective: 6/29/2018

DAVIS, Allysha M.

Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 2/8/2019

DICKENS, Charles E.

Sheriff's Office

Effective: 2/21/2019

APPENDIX D LIST OF DECEASED MEMBERS

ALVA, Imelda A. HATCHETT, Annie B. Auditor-Controller Alameda Health System 2/19/2019

3/3/2019

BROWN, Kevin B. HOUT, Carmel Sheriff's Office **Superior Court** 2/27/2019 3/3/2019

CHELCIU, Paul D.

Livermore Area Recreation & Parks Dept.

11/1/2016

COLLIER, Mary T. JACKSON, Dorene M. **Superior Court** Social Services Agency 3/5/2019 1/3/2019

COMPTON, Sara F.

Assessor 3/11/2019

FREELAND, Ruby G. Alameda Health System

3/5/2019

GIANNELL, Marilyn M. Social Services Agency 2/27/2019

MEANS, Bud Public Works Agency

1/31/2019

ISAAC, Jennifer

JOHNSON, Wilma

MENA, Angelie

Social Services Agency

Health Care Services Agency

3/21/2019

3/3/2019

1/19/2019

Non-Member Survivor of James Isaac Jr

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MENDOZA, Esther

Health Care Services Agency

3/7/2019

MURASE, Marilyn Social Services Agency

1/31/2019

NGUYEN, Phung D.

Social Services Agency

1/6/2019

PATTERSON, Joice E.

Community Development Agency

3/7/2019

PEARSON, Tilda G.

Non-Member Survivor of Benit Pearson

2/19/2019

PORTER, John C.

Superior Court

2/1/2019

RESBURG, Thomas E.

Health Care Services Agency

3/20/2019

ROBINSON, Esther

Registrar of Voters

1/19/2019

ROTERMUND, Nicholas R.

Sheriff's Office

2/17/2019

SCHRAMM, Catherine

Alameda Health System

2/17/2019

SCHWARTZ, Barbara

Probation

3/10/2019

SCOTT, Louisa B.

Non-Member Survivor of James Scott

3/21/2019

SHEPPARD, Jeanette D.

Library

1/23/2019

SMITH, James

General Services Agency

2/16/2019

WILSON, Marie J.

Social Services Agency

2/24/2019

WYSOCK, Jo-Anne

Non-Member Survivor of David Wysock

3/23/2019

APPENDIX F APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT

Name: Garcia, Andrew
Type of Claim: Service Connected

Staff's Recommendation:

Adopt the findings and conclusions and approve and adopt the recommendation contained in the Medical Advisor's report, including but not limited to, granting Mr. Garcia's application for a service connected disability, and requiring future annual medical examinations and questionnaires.

Name: Knox-Banks, Janay
Type of Claim: Service Connected

Staff's Recommendation:

Adopt the findings and conclusions and approve and adopt the recommendation contained in the Medical Advisor's report, including but not limited to, granting Ms. Knox-Banks's application for a service connected disability, and requiring future annual medical examinations and questionnaires.

April 18, 2019 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting For approval under May 16, 2019 Board "Consent Calendar"



ALAMEDA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD OF RETIREMENT MINUTES

Thursday, April 18, 2019

Chair George Wood called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: Dale Amaral

Keith Carson Tarrell Gamble Jaime Godfrey Liz Koppenhaver Elizabeth Rogers George Wood

Nancy Reilly (*Alternate*) Darryl Walker (*Alternate*)

Trustees Excused: Ophelia Basgal

Henry Levy

Staff Present: Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer

Victoria Arruda, Human Resource Officer Angela Bradford, Executive Secretary Sandra Dueñas-Cuevas, Benefits Manager Kathy Foster, Assistant Chief Executive Officer

Jessica Huffman, Benefits Manager Harsh Jadhav, Chief of Internal Audit

Vijay Jagar, Retirement Chief Technology Officer, ACERA

Kathy Mount, Chief Counsel

David Nelsen, Chief Executive Officer Betty Tse, Chief Investment Officer

PUBLIC INPUT

Trustee Tarrell Gamble expressed his appreciation to the Board and Staff; specifically, Executive Secretary Angela Bradford and her Assistant Jocelyn Jacala, for all of their hard work and assistance.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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APPROVAL OF BOARD and COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 21, 2019 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting April 3, 2019 Operations Committee Minutes April 3, 2019 Retirees Committee Minutes

MISCELLANOUS MATTERS:

Quarterly Report on Member Underpayments and Overpayments

Pay Code 42K for the County:

Designate Pay Item 42K – Process Training Duties as compensation earnable for Tier 1, 2, and 3 legacy members, based on Government Code Section 31461; and pensionable compensation for Tier 4 PEPRA members, based on Government Code Section 7522.34

19-23

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers seconded by Jaime Godfrey, and approved by a vote of 6 yes (Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, Wood), 0 no, and 0 abstentions (Dale Amaral and Darryl Walker recused themselves because one or more of the consent calendar items involved their employing Departments):

BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD that the Consent Calendar is approved as presented.

REGULAR CALENDAR REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

<u>DISABILITIES, CURRENT AND CONTINUING RECOMMENDATIONS AND MOTIONS</u>

(Item(s) will be heard in Closed Executive Session)

 Spikes, Cecile Eligibility Services Technician III Alameda County Service: 20.85791 Years Social Service Agency Application for Service Connected Disability

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND MOTIONS

This month's Committee reports were presented in the following order:

Operations:

Vice-Chair Dale Amaral gave an oral report stating that the Operations Committee met on April 3, 2019 and was presented with, reviewed and/or discussed the following information items:

1) Budget vs. Actual Operating Expense Report as of February 28, 2019 – actual expenses were \$220 million under budget; and 2) Statement of Reserves for the six months ending December 31, 2018 – approximately \$269.5 million of regular interest was credited to the 401(h) and Supplemental Retiree Benefit Reserve (SRBR) valuation reserve accounts, respectively, at a rate of 3.3861%.

Trustee Amaral reported that Trustee Basgal discussed a news article regarding Milwaukee County approving a deal to recoup \$1.5 million in pension overpayments as well as the National Association of State Administrators' (NASRA) Survey on overpayments of retirement benefits.

Retirees:

Liz Koppenhaver gave an oral report stating that the Retirees Committee met on April 3, 2019 and was presented with, reviewed and/or discussed the following Information Items:

1) Active Death Equity Benefit (ADEB) – the Retirees Committee decided not to reimplement this benefit at this time; 2) comparison of the Revised 2019 Annual Retirees Committee Work Plan to the Operations Committee Work Plan in an effort to coordinate and condense the Operations and Retirees Committee meetings, which will now occur every other month and/or whenever necessary; 3) Ten-year history through December 31, 2018 of the financial status of the SRBR – total interest credited to the SRBR Account was \$64.8 million, \$10.6 million in excess earnings, total deductions were \$50.9 and the ending balance is \$919.5 million; 4) Retired Member Death Benefit (Lump Sum) – Staff is developing a questionnaire to send to retired members regarding the Lump Sum Benefit (and for the ADEB for active members); 5) Semi-Annual Report on ACERA's Wellness Program. Trustee Koppenhaver invited Trustees and Staff to participate in ACERA's Wellness Walk

at Lake Merritt on Friday, April 26, 2019 at 10 a.m.; 6) Via Benefits provided information on what they are currently working on for ACERA Medicare and pre-65 retired members and asked that members contact them regarding any reimbursement issues; specifically, out of State members; and 7) Miscellaneous Updates which included information regarding the transition from the Health Reimbursement Arrangement Account (HRA) to Via Benefits. Via Benefits offers live informational seminars on their Website for participants who are eligible for Medicare.

Investment:

Elizabeth Rogers gave an oral report stating that the Investment Committee met on April 17, 2019 and reviewed and/or discussed the following information items:

- 1) Verus representative Barry Dennis presented the results of the Asset Liability Integration Study. The objective of the Study is to review and prioritize the risk and return characteristics of all asset classes in the Total Fund and to modify the asset allocations, if warranted. Mr. Dennis discussed the risks and the impact of the SRBR on the ratio projections. After discussion, Verus recommended that the Committee choose Alternative No. 2, which improves diversification and supports the long-term sustainability of the Plan over Alternative No. 1, which improves the funded ratio while minimizing the deterioration of the funded status. The Asset Liability Study will be brought back as an action item at the May 15, 2019 Investment Committee meeting;
- **2)** A Working Group of up to four Board Trustees shall be established to work with Verus and Staff to evaluate and develop an *Environmental, Social and Governance* (ESG) Policy. The Working Group will develop its Mission Statement, review other systems' ESG policies, discuss relevant topics as they arise, and prepare a draft ESG Policy for the Investment Committee's consideration.
- 3) The Committee did not recommend that the Board take action on the Closed Session item regarding the consideration of the purchase or sale of a specific pension fund investment/anticipated litigation.

Minutes of the meeting will be presented to the Board for adoption on the consent calendar at the May 16, 2019 Board meeting.

Actuarial:

Dale Amaral expressed his appreciation to the Board and Staff; specifically, the Assistant Chief Executive Officer Kathy Foster, for the excellent customer service they provide to its members.

Trustee Amaral gave an oral report stating that the Actuarial Committee met today and was presented with, reviewed and/or discussed an information item regarding ACERA's draft Actuarial Valuation and Review as of December 31, 2018, prepared by Segal Consulting.

Trustee Amaral reported that due to a number of factors which include, but not limited to: higher than expected returns on investments (after smoothing), other actuarial gains and the expected decrease due to contributions made to pay down the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL), the UAAL decreased from \$2,156.7 million in 2017 to \$2,137.1 million in 2018. Due to a number of factors which include, but not limited to: actual contributions lower than expected, higher than expected salary increases for active members, higher than expected investments (after smoothing) and other actuarial gains, the aggregate employer contribution rate increased by 0.14% of payroll from 27.82% in 2017 to 27.96% for 2018. The aggregate employee contribution rate remained at 9.34 % of payroll for 2018.

Minutes of the meeting will be presented to the Board for adoption on the consent calendar at the May 16, 2019 Board meeting.

Governance:

Elizabeth Rogers gave an oral report stating that the Governance Committee met today and was presented with, reviewed, discussed and took action on the following Board policies:

1) Electronic Tablet; 2) Board Communications; and 3) Media Communications.

<u>19-24</u>

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Liz Koppenhaver that the Board finds that the *Electronic Tablet Policy* continues to be relevant and contains the required policy elements and that it be continued, without revisions, until such time ACERA implements the Granicus software and updates Administrative Policies regarding the use of electronic devices for ACERA business. The motion carried 7 yes (*Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, Wood*), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

<u>19-25</u>

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Jaime Godfrey that the Board finds that the Board Communications Policy continues to be relevant and contains the required policy elements and that the Board adopt the revisions to the Board Communications Policy regarding media requests, and privacy and confidentiality issues as proposed by Staff. The motion carried 7 yes (Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, Wood), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

19-26

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Tarrell Gamble that the Board repeal the *Media Communications Policy*, as it is no longer relevant given that the *Policy* only governs communications by Staff thus is more appropriate as an administrative policy. Such a policy is included in the employee handbook. The *Board Communications Policy* addresses media communication with Trustees. The motion carried 7 yes (*Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, Wood*), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Minutes of the meeting will be presented to the Board for adoption on the consent calendar at the May 16, 2019 Board meeting.

Audit:

Tarrell Gamble gave an oral report stating that the Audit Committee met today and was presented with, reviewed and discussed extending Williams, Adley & Company's (WACO) contract to perform audits for a two-year period (calendar years 2019 and 2020).

19-27

It was moved by Tarrell Gamble and seconded by Elizabeth Rogers that the Board extend William, Adley & Company's contract to perform audits for a two-year period (calendar years 2019 and 2020). The motion carried 7 yes (*Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, Wood*), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Trustee Gamble reported that the Committee was also presented with, reviewed and discussed the following Information Items: 1) Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67 Valuation (Liability Reporting) and GASB Statement No. 74 Valuation (Funding Reporting) as of December 31, 2018; 2) Progress report on the Internal Audit Plan; and 3) Financial Fraud Policy. Trustee Gamble urged Staff that if they suspect any fraudulent financial activity, to please report it.

Minutes of the meeting will be presented to the Board for adoption on the consent calendar at the May 16, 2019 Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

SACRS 2019-2020 Board of Directors Elections:

Mr. Nelsen requested direction from the Board on how he (or his Designee) should vote ACERA's Proxy on behalf of the Board on the SACRS 2019-2020 Board of Elections and SACRS 2017-2018 Audit.

Mr. Nelsen presented his April 18, 2019 memo regarding the SACRS Nominating Committee's recommended slate of candidates for its 2019-2020 SACRS Officers, which are as follows: *President*: Dan McAllister, San Diego CERA; *Vice-President*: Vivian Gray, Los Angeles CERA; *Treasurer*: Harry Hagen, Santa Barbara CERAS; *Secretary*: Kathryn Cavness, Mendocino CERA; *Regular Member*: Roger Hilton, Orange CERS; *Regular Member*: Chris Cooper, Marin CERA; and *Regular Member*: Vere Williams, San Bernardino CERA. Mr. Nelsen explained that the SACRS Nominating Committee did not nominate Regular Member Vere Williams. However, if Mr. Williams is elected, he would replace Regular Member Roger Hilton or Regular Member Chris Cooper. Mr. Nelsen informed the Board that it could direct him (or his Designee) to vote for SACRS Nominating Committee's recommended slate, with or without the inclusion of Regular Member Vere Williams.

19-28

It was moved by Tarrell Gamble and seconded by Liz Koppenhaver that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer (or his Designee) to vote ACERA's Proxy on behalf of the Board of Retirement in support of the SACRS Nominating Committee's recommended slate, with the inclusion of Regular Member Vere Williams, at the SACRS Spring Conference (Business Meeting). The motion carried 7 yes (Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, Wood), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

SACRS 2017-2018 Audit:

Mr. Nelsen presented SACRS' 2017-2018 Audit Report stating that the external auditor found that there were no reporting issues or Management Letter items; therefore, recommended that the Board direct him (or his Designee) to vote to accept the SACRS 2017-2018 Audit Report.

<u>19-29</u>

It was moved by Tarrell Gamble and seconded by Jaime Godfrey that the Board direct the Chief Executive Officer (or his Designee) to vote ACERA's Proxy on behalf of the Board of Retirement to accept the SACRS 2017-2018 Audit Report at the SACRS Spring Conference (Business Meeting). The motion carried 7 yes (*Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, Wood*), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

David Nelsen, Chief Executive Officer's Report

Mr. Nelsen presented his April 18, 2019, written CEO Report which provided an update on the following items: 1) Senior Manager Recruitment; 2) Committee/Board Action Items; 3) Conference Schedule; and 4) Other Items.

Included in Mr. Nelsen's CEO Report is a list of ACERA's on-going internal operational measures, which are being tracked on a monthly basis. Mr. Nelsen will provide periodic updates to the Board of the numbers and results of the measures.

Retirement Chief Technology Officer Vijay Jagar gave a presentation on the status of the projects currently being worked on by the PRISM Department. The projects are divided into two categories. The first category are the primary technology projects. The second category is considered "the plumbing" or "behind-the scenes" projects.

The behind-the-scenes projects are: 1) Migration to Cloud Backup which will be used to store ACERA's files via the Cloud in lieu of physical tapes; 2) Server Migration to the Cloud which will be used to transition ACERA's older software applications into the Cloud; and 3) Intrusion Testing of both ACERA's network and Web Member Services (WMS), hosted by Levy, Ray & Shoup. Staff anticipates that this project will be completed by third quarter.

The primary Technology Projects are: 1) Pension Administration Software (PAS) Upgrade (PensionGold, Version III). Staff will provide LRS with a comprehensive list of ACERA's system requirements by the end of 2019 that spells-out exactly what functions, reports, templates, workflows, etc. Staff wants PensionGold, Version III to perform. Once all the system requirements have been vetted, Staff will bring back a contract between LRS and ACERA for the Board's consideration. This project is a collaborative effort between Staff, LRS and LRWL, ACERA's Consultants. Staff anticipates that the development and implementation of PensionGold, Version III will go "live" in approximately 2022 or 2023;

- 2) Granicus Agenda Management Program Implementation. Granicus is an all-in-one solution for anything related to Committee/Board materials; as it allows Staff to create and distribute Committee/Board materials, Board Trustees can make annotations and notes directly on the electronic documents; the public can access, view, search and download Committee/Board materials. Staff will be able to audio record meetings for the preparation of minutes, etc. Granicus also allows for audio and video live streaming of Committee/Board meetings for listening/viewing from Apple and Microsoft tablets, mobile phones, online, etc. There is no limit on the number of users and/or the type of devices that can be used with Granicus. The Board and Staff will receive training on how to use Granicus as it relates to their role, as it will replace ACERA's current DropBox and Good Reader Programs; and
- 3) Microsoft (MS) Office 365 which is a Cloud based product that is a secure method of creating, storing and/or modifying Word, Excel, Outlook, etc. documents, as it provides better protection of data using government grade encryption. MS Office 365 also provides more collaboration features, better mobile device management and all data is maintained in the United States. ACERA will implement MS Office 365 sometime in May 2019.

CONFERENCE REPORTS

Trustee Walker reported that he attended the Pension Bridge Conference (Tuesday, April 9 and Wednesday, April 10, 2019). Items discussed were: ESG and Private Credits. Trustee Walker also attended the National Association of Securities Professional's (NASP) event entitled: "Day of Education in Private Equity for Trustees and Staff" (Thursday, March 28, 2019).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

BOARD INPUT

None.

CLOSED SESSION

- A) Existing Litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) (1):

 <u>Alameda Health System v. ACERA</u>, Alameda County Superior Court, No. RG19006178 (Update).

 ACERA v. Reed, Alameda County Superior Court, No. RG18923790.
- **B)** Personnel Matter pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 & 88 Ops. Cal. Atty. Gen. 16 Application of Cecile Spikes for Disability Retirement Alameda County Social Services Agency.

REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

The Board reconvened into Open Session and Chair George Woods announced that Staff advised the Board on the <u>Alameda Health System v. ACERA</u> and <u>Reed v. ACERA</u> matters - the Board took no action on either matter.

Ms. Cecile Spikes was present during a portion of the closed session related to her disability application. After discussion, the Board took the following action:

<u>19-30</u>

It was moved by Liz Koppenhaver and seconded by Dale Amaral that the Board direct Staff to accept Cecile Spikes' disability retirement application. The motion carried 5 yes (*Amaral, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, Wood*), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

ADJOURNMENT

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Respectfully Submitted,

Darif Molse	5/16/19
David Nelsen Chief Executive Officer	Date Adopted

ACOSTA, Julita G. Social Services Agency Effective: 2/23/2019

AQUINO, Rosalinda General Services Agency Effective: 2/23/2019

AUSTIN, Alice M. Superior Court Effective: 2/9/2019

BAGUS, Meriam G. Alameda Health System Effective: 12/29/2018

BAUZON, Luisa D. Social Services Agency Effective: 2/9/2019

BERUMEN, Adelina O. Probation

Effective: 12/29/2018

BRANAGH, Fiona A. Health Care Services Agency Effective: 2/15/2019

BRISTOW, Stacey E.
Community Development Agency

Effective: 12/31/2018

BROWN, Valerie M. Superior Court Effective: 1/14/2017

BURKE, Susan J. Alameda Health System Effective: 2/2/2019

CROSBY, John Alameda Health System Effective: 12/30/2017

CUISON, Corazon F. Alameda Health System Effective: 10/1/2018 DA SILVA, Miriam E. Child Support Services Effective: 2/23/2019

DATING, Pedro V. Superior Court Effective: 1/26/2019

DITTA, Raj K. Social Services Ag

Social Services Agency Effective: 10/1/2018

DROBNER, Sherry

Library

Effective: 3/2/2019

DURYEA, Gary W.

Assessor

Effective: 1/11/2019

FITZGERALD, Louella K. Social Services Agency Effective: 2/23/2019

GARRETT, Donald A. Information Technology Effective: 2/23/2019

HANGER, Alan J. Public Works

Effective: 12/28/2018

HANNY, Joanne B. Sheriff's Office Effective: 2/2/2019

HARRIS, Darrell

Alameda Health System Effective: 1/14/2019

HENRY, Andrea

Probation

Effective: 2/8/2019

JOLLIFF, Brent I. Sheriff's Office

Effective: 10/21/2018

JOSEPH, Brent L.

Assessor

Effective: 12//28/2018

LEE, Eileen H. Auditor Office

Effective: 11/21/2018

LLARENA, Zenaida B.

Superior Court Effective: 2/9/2019

LUANGRATH, Kongdeuan Social Services Agency Effective: 2/23/2019

MAHER, Victoria G. Child Support Services Effective: 10/20/2018

MAZER, Shelly J. Social Services Agency Effective: 2/9/2019

MCKELVEY, Douglas L.

Fire Department

Effective: 12/30/2018

MENA, Maria D.

Alameda Health System Effective: 9/19/2018

MILLER, Rebecca E. Sheriff's Office Effective: 2/21/2019

MOYER, Kellie J. Auditor Office

Effective: 12/29/2018

OWENS, Coart B. Superior Court Effective: 1/9/2019

PAGE, Seth M.

Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 2/23/2019

PECK, Paula R.

Alameda Health System Effective: 2/2/2019

PECKHAM, Jinni Social Services Agency Effective: 1/1/2019

PERAZA, Christine A. Social Services Agency Effective: 12/29/2018

PEREZ, Sherna S. Superior Court Effective: 2/20/2019

PETERS, Steven R. Alameda Health System Effective: 9/22/2018

PETERSEN, Darryl E.

Zone 7

Effective: 2/23/2019

REARDON, Roberto J. Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 2/14/2019

RODRIGUEZ, Joaquin G. Alameda Health System Effective: 11/25/2017

RODRIGUEZ, Rosa M. Alameda Health System Effective: 7/28/2018

RUSSELL, Gary M. General Services Agency Effective: 2/23/2019

SINGLETON, Herbert G. Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 2/23/2019

STEEDMAN, Mary Ann Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 3/31/2018

STOKES, Imelda

Social Services Agency Effective: 2/9/2019

THIBODEAUX, Derron R.

Probation

Effective: 1/25/2019

VARGAS, Carmen D.

Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 2/23/2019

WILLIAMS, Hazel L. Alameda Health System Effective: 10/21/2018

WILLIS, Sherrianne

Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 2/23/2019

WILSON, Shawn G. Sheriff's Office Effective: 2/9/2019

WRIGHT, Joe M. Sheriff's Office Effective: 2/23/2019

YU, Anita M. Y.

Social Services Agency Effective: 2/23/2019

ZERNICKE, Mary L. Social Services Agency Effective: 12/31/2018

APPENDIX B APPLICATION FOR DEFERRED RETIREMENT

CHAN, Wai Kan STARRATT, Michelle L.

Alameda Health System Community Development Agency

Effective Date: 3/15/2019 Effective: 12/14/2018

CLARK, Ilona N. STAVERT, Carol A. Alameda Health System Sheriff's Office Effective: 2/19/2019 Effective: 9/3/2018

MCCLEOD, Marquetta N. STUART, Becky K. Social Services Agency Alameda Health System Effective: 1/3/2019 Effective: 11/28/2018

MILLER, Sylvia C. TEIXEIRA, Sabrina C. Health Care Services Agency General Services Agency

Effective: 2/5/2019 Effective: 10/12/2018

MITCHELL, Tina L. TORRES, Ronald J.
Social Services Agency Health Care Services Agency
Effective: 2/22/2019 Effective: 10/5/2018

NGUYEN, Kathy T.

VELAZQUEZ, Adriana

Sheriff's Office

Health Care Services Agency

Sheriff's Office Health Care Services Agency Effective: 2/8/2019 Effective Date: 12/20/2018

REYES, Andree M. WAHLIN, Sara C.
Health Care Services Agency Alameda Health System
Effective: 12/21/2018 Effective: 11/25/2018

SAECHAO, Muang S. WARREN, Kenya L. Social Services Agency Effective: 10/5/2018 Effective: 9/7/2018

SEIS, Jennifer K. WILLIAMS, Rosemery Information Technology Alameda Health System Effective: 1/4/2019 Effective: 11/28/2018

SMITH, Adrian WRIGHT, Jason
Alameda Health System Child Support Services
Effective: 10/5/2018 Effective: 11/30/2018

ZULLO, Paul F. Zone 7

Effective: 8/17/2018

APPENDIX B - 1 APPLICATION FOR NON-VESTED DEFERRED

ROWLAND, April M. Child Support Services Effective: 1/10/2019

SALCEDO, Angelo B. Information Technology Effective: 1/3/2019

SANCHEZ, Alexis Auditor-Controller Effective: 11/14/2018

SANDOVAL, Mario R. Alameda Health System Effective: 11/9/2018

SHALEHA, Shama Sheriff's Office Effective: 1/26/2019

SHRIVASTAVA, Aditi Social Services Agency Effective: 9/5/2018

SPILLY, Stacey A.

Health Care Services Agency

Effective: 9/10/2018

STEIGER, Shonette M. Alameda Health System Effective: 8/10/2018

TOPETE, Javier R.

Probation

Effective: 12/13/2018

TRAN, Jennifer L. Alameda Health System Effective: 7/62018

TRAVER, Seri M.

General Services Agency Effective: 9/28/2018

URIBE, Julissa R. Social Services Agency Effective: 1/02/2019

VANIA, Neville D. Superior Court Effective: 8/10/2018

WALKER, Stefanie A. County Administrator Effective: 10/5/2019

WALLACE, Siobhan A. Social Services Agency Effective: 2/15/2018

WHITE, Olivia C. County Counsel Effective: 7/21/2018

WHITESIDE, Staci M. Alameda Health System Effective: 8/16/2018

WILEY, Anna S. District Attorney Effective: 9/18/2018

WILEY, Anna S. District Attorney Effective: 9/18/2018

WILSON, Santia Y. Social Services Agency Effective: 10/19/2018

WU, Daryl T.

Alameda Health System Effective: 8/31/2018

APPENDIX D LIST OF DECEASED MEMBERS

Alva, Imelda Johnson, Wilma

Auditor-Controller Health Care Services Agency

3/3/2019 3/3/2019

Brown, Kevin Mena, Angelie

Sheriff's Office Social Services Agency

3/3/2019 1/19/2019

Chelciu, Paul Means, Bud

LARPD Public Works Agency

11/1/2016 1/31/2019

Collier, Mary Mendoza, Esther

Superior Court Health Care Services Agency

3/5/2019 3/7/2019

Compton, Sara Murase, Marilyn

Assessor Social Services Agency

3/11/2019 1/31/2019

Freeland, Ruby Nguyen, Phung

Alameda Health System Social Services Agency

3/5/2019 1/6/2019

Giannell, Marilyn Patterson, Joice

Social Services Agency Community Development Agency

2/27/2019 3/7/2019

Hatchett, Annie Pearson, Tilda

Alameda Health System Non-Mbr Survivor of Benit Pearson

2/19/2019 2/19/2019

Hout, Carmel Porter, John C. Superior Court Superior Court

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2/27/2019 2/1/2019

Isaac, Jennifer Resburg, Thomas

Non-Mbr Survivor of James Isaac Jr Health Care Services Agency

3/21/2019 3/20/2019

Jackson, Dorene Robinson, Esther

Social Services Agency Registrar of Voters

1/3/2019 1/19/2019

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Rotermund, Nicholas Sheppard, Jeanette

Sheriff's Office Library 2/17/2019 1/23/2019

Schramm, Catherine Smith, James

Alameda Health System General Services Agency

2/17/2019 2/16/2019

Schwartz, Barbara Wilson, Marie

Probation Social Services Agency 3/10/2019 2/24/2019

Scott, Louisa Wysock, Jo-Anne

Non-Mbr Survivor of James Scott

Non-Mbr Survivor of David Wysock

3/21/2019 3/23/2019

APPENDIX F APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT

Name: Cardoza, Roy
Type of Claim: Service Connected

Staff's Recommendation:

Adopt the findings and conclusions and approve and adopt the recommendation contained in the Medical Advisor's report, including but not limited to, granting Mr. Cardoza's application for a service connected disability. Since Mr. Cardoza is over 55 years old, future annual medical examinations will not be required.

Based on the Medical Advisor's and Staff's review and determination of Mr. Cardoza's ability to determine the permanency of his incapacity, to deny Mr. Cardoza's request for an earlier effective date.

Name: Moore, Gloria
Type of Claim: Service Connected

Staff's Recommendation:

Adopt the findings and conclusions and approve and adopt the recommendation contained in the Medical Advisor's report, including but not limited to, granting Ms. Moore's application for a service connected disability. Since Ms. Moore is over 55 years old, future annual medical examinations will not be required.

Based on the Medical Advisor's and Staff's review and determination of Ms. Moore's ability to determine the permanency of her incapacity, to grant Ms. Moore's request for an earlier effective date.

Name: Neils, Adam

Type of Claim: Service Connected

Staff's Recommendation:

Adopt the findings and conclusions and approve and adopt the recommendation contained in the Medical Advisor's report, including but not limited to, granting Mr. Neils' application for a service connected disability and requiring future annual medical examinations and questionnaires.

APPENDIX F APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT

Name: Rios, Benjamin
Type of Claim: Service Connected

Staff's Recommendation:

Adopt the findings and conclusions and approve and adopt the recommendation contained in the Medical Advisor's report, including but not limited to, granting Mr. Rios' application for a service connected disability. Since Mr. Rios is over 55 years old, future annual medical examinations will not be required.

Name: Romine, Leitriss
Type of Claim: Service Connected

Staff's Recommendation:

Adopt the findings and conclusions and approve and adopt the recommendation contained in the Medical Advisor's report, including but not limited to, granting Ms. Romine's application for service-connected disability, and requiring future annual medical examinations and questionnaires.

Based on the Medical Advisor's and Staff's review and determination of Ms. Romine's ability to determine the permanency of her incapacity, to grant Ms. Romine's request for an earlier effective date.

Name: Washington, Abb
Type of Claim: Service Connected

Staff's Recommendation:

Adopt the findings and conclusions and approve and adopt the recommendation contained in the Medical Advisor's report to continue the allowance for Mr. Washington's service connected disability. Since Mr. Washington is over 55 years old, future annual medical examinations will not be required.

Based on the Medical Advisor's and Staff's review and determination of Mr. Washington's ability to determine the permanency of his incapacity, to deny Mr. Washington's request for an earlier effective date.

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Date: April 17, 2019

To: Members of the Board of Retirement

From: Elizabeth Rogers - Chair

Subject: Summary of April 17, 2019 Investment Committee Meeting

The Investment Committee ("Committee") met on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 9:32 a.m. The Committee members present were Dale Amaral, Ophelia Basgal, Keith Carson, Tarrell Gamble, Jaime Godfrey, Henry Levy, Liz Koppenhaver, Elizabeth Rogers, and George Wood. Also present were Alternate Retired member, Nancy Reilly, and Alternate Safety member, Darryl Walker. Members of the Staff present were Dave Nelsen – Chief Executive Officer, Kathy Mount – Chief Counsel, Harsh Jadhav – Chief of Internal Audit, and Betty Tse – Chief Investment Officer.

Action Items: Matters for discussion and possible motion by the Committee

There are no action items.

<u>Information Items: These items are not presented for Committee action but consist of status updates and cyclical reports</u>

- 1. Asset Liability Integration
 - Barry Dennis, a representative from Verus Advisory, Inc. started the review of the Asset Liability Integration study. Mr. Dennis stated that ACERA typically would conduct its Asset Liability study every 5 years, but conducted its last Asset Liability study in 2011 while maintaining its review of Capital Markets and Asset Allocation annually. The objective of this study which uses the Asset Liability data as of 12/31/2017, is to review and prioritize the risk and return characteristics of all the asset classes in the Total Fund, and to modify the asset allocations, if warranted.
 - Based on Verus' capital markets assumptions, e.g. expected return range from 6.3-6.9%, and the matching of ACERA's assets with its liabilities, e.g. inflation and mortality rates, Verus has narrowed the range of sample portfolios to mixes between ACERA's Policy and the Peer Group. The mixes include risk/return profiles that are slightly more or less aggressive than that of the current ACERA portfolio.
 - Furthermore, Verus has considered the result of the ERT Survey which the Committee members had participated in earlier this year, to guide them to identify the asset mixes that the Committee will likely be more comfortable with. For example, the #1 long-term objective concluded in the named Survey was to "Prevent deterioration in the funded status of the Plan", while the #2 long-term objective concluded in the same Survey was the "Long term sustainability of the Plan." Verus has narrowed the asset mixes to Alternatives 1 and

- 2 between the Policy and the Peer Group in light of the following considerations: 1) ACERA's gradual increase in its Total Fund value with a moderate funding status (currently about 76%); 2) the Committee's priority in its long term objectives; 3) the Committee's comfort in accepting more long term risk in certain asset classes such as that from the bond markets; and importantly, 4) diversifications.
- The two asset mixes modeled as Alternatives 1 and 2 between ACERA's Policy and the Peer Group have very similar asset classes except one. ACERA's Policy does not have Private Credit while both Alternatives 1 and 2 have a new asset class called Private Credit, i.e., 2% and 4% respectively. Verus' modeling also highlights that the forecast 10 year return for Policy and Alternative 2 are the same 6.7%, with the standard deviation declining from 12.9% (Policy) to 12.3% (Alternative 2). However, the forecast 10 year return and standard deviation for Alternative 1 are 7% and 13.8%, respectively.
- Mr. Dennis emphasized that ACERA has been rewarded by taking on a bit more risk in its portfolio. He explained the different types of risks that have been factored into the investment models presented today. He also discussed the impact of the SRBR on the funded ratio projections.
- In conclusion and relative to the long term objectives of the Committee, he felt more comfortable with a more conservative Alternative #2 which improves diversification and supports the long term sustainability of the Plan, over Alternative #1 which improves funded ratio while minimizes the deterioration of funded status.
- All 11 trustees were very engaged and offered their thoughts and asked many questions throughout Verus' presentation. Examples of the trustees' question included the outlook on inflation, the reasons for including Private Credits in the asset mixes and the ideal funded ratio. After a very interactive and thorough discussion, the Committee planned to include this Asset Liability study as an Action Item for the May ICM.
- 2. Discussion of an establishment of a working group to evaluate a possible ESG policy
 - At the recent Semi-Annual Investment Planning meeting in March, the Board Chair, Investment Committee Chair and Vice Chair, Verus and Staff discussed the possibility of establishing a working group to further define and evaluate the need for an ACERA ESG policy. The Committee Chair suggested establishing a working group of up to 4 Trustees to work with Staff and Verus. Those interested should contact her directly. The working group will establish a mission statement and will report back to the Committee. A Representative from Verus suggested to define an appropriate policy based on shared beliefs with material risk consideration, due diligence, reporting, and disclosures. The Committee also discussed the need to have a working group regarding the Emerging Investment Manager Policy. It was suggested by the Chair that the Committee review the policy, which is scheduled on the workplan, and decide later it if is necessary to create a work group, accordingly.

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TRUSTEE/PUBLIC INPUT

None

FUTURE DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

ESTABLISHMENT OF NEXT MEETING DATE

Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

Adjournment into Closed Session

Govt. Code section 54956.81 – Consider the purchase or sale of a specific pension fund investment, and Govt. Code section 54957.1(d) (4) – Anticipated litigation (1 matter)

Reconvene into Open Session to Report on Action Taken in Closed Session

The Committee reconvened into open session at 12:00 p.m. and announced that no action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting ended at 12:05 p.m.

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April 18, 2019

Members of the Actuarial Committee To:

From: Dale Amaral, Chair

Subject: Summary of the April 18, 2019, Actuarial Committee Meeting

Actuarial Committee Chair, Dale Amaral, called the April 18, 2019, Actuarial Committee meeting to order at 11:02 pm. Committee members present were Dale Amaral, Chair, Elizabeth Rogers, Vice Chair and Liz Koppenhaver. Other Board members present were, Tarrell Gamble, Jaime Godfrey, Nancy Reilly, and Darryl Walker. Staff present were David Nelsen, Chief Executive Officer; Kathy Foster, Assistant Chief Executive Officer; Kathy Mount, Chief Counsel; Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer; Betty Tse, Chief Investment Officer; and Harsh Jadhav, Chief of Internal Audit.

ACTION ITEM

None

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Actuarial Valuation and Review as of December 31, 2018

Staff and Segal Consulting representatives discussed the draft Actuarial Valuation and Review as of December 31, 2018. It will be presented for further discussion and possible motion at the May 16, 2019 Actuarial Committee meeting.

2. Participating Employers' Meeting

Staff announced that the next Participating Employers meeting will be April 24, 2019 at 1:30 pm.

RECOMMENDATION

None

TRUSTEE/PUBLIC INPUT

None

Future Discussion Items

Discussion and possible motion to adopt the Actuarial Valuation and Review as of December 31, 2018

ESTABLISHMENT OF NEXT MEETING DATE

May 16, 2019 at 11:00 am

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 am

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Date: April 18, 2019

To: Members of the Board of Retirement

From: Elizabeth Rogers, Chair

Governance Committee

Subject: Summary of the April 18, 2019, Governance Committee Meeting

Governance Committee Chair, Elizabeth Rogers, called the April 18, 2019, meeting to order at 11:34 a.m. Committee Members present were Elizabeth Rogers, Liz Koppenhaver, and Tarrell Gamble. Other Board members present were Dale Amaral, Keith Carson, George Wood, Jaime Godfrey, and Alternate member Nancy Reilly. Staff present were David Nelsen, Chief Executive Officer; Kathy Foster, Assistant Chief Executive Officer; Kathy Mount, Chief Counsel; Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer; Harsh Jadhav, Chief of Internal Audit; Victoria Arruda, Human Resources Officer; Betty Tse, Chief Investment Officer; and Lori Schnall, Associate Counsel.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Review, discussion and possible motion to update the *Electronic Tablet Policy* with or without revisions.

The Committee reviewed Staff's April 18th, 2019, memorandum and its recommendation regarding proposed revisions to the *Electronic Tablet Policy*.

Staff recommended that the *Electronic Tablet Policy* continues to be relevant until such time that ACERA implements the Granicus software and revises other procedures regarding use and ownership of electronic devices used for ACERA business, all of which may impact this policy. While these processes are being developed, staff recommended that action on this policy be deferred.

Following discussion on the *Policy*, the Committee recommended to the Board of Retirement that the Policy continues to be relevant and contains the required policy elements and that it be continued without revision until such time as ACERA implements Granicus and updated administrative policies regarding use of electronic devices.

A motion was moved by Trustee Gamble and seconded by Trustee Wood that the Governance Committee recommends to the Board of Retirement that the Policy remains relevant and necessary and to update the *Electronic Tablet Policy*, without revisions, as recommended by the Committee and Staff. The motion was approved by a vote of 7 in favor (Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, and Wood), 0 against, 0 abstaining.

2. Review, discussion and possible motion to update the *Board Communications Policy* with or without revisions.

The Committee reviewed Staff's April 18th, 2019, memorandum and its recommendation regarding proposed revisions to the *Board Communications Policy*.

Staff recommended that the *Policy* is still relevant, and contains the necessary policy elements. Staff recommended incorporating language from the Media Communications Policy into this Policy, in anticipation of more media requests, and adding provisions related to privacy and confidentiality issues, as this is a growing area of concern.

Following discussion on the *Policy*, the Committee recommended to the Board of Retirement that the *Policy* continues to be relevant and contains the required policy elements, and that the Board adopt the revisions to the *Board Communications Policy* regarding media requests and privacy and confidentiality issues, as proposed by staff.

A motion was moved by Trustee Wood and seconded by Trustee Koppenhaver that the Governance Committee recommends to the Board of Retirement that the Policy remains relevant and necessary and to update the *Board Communication Policy*, with revisions, as recommended by the Committee and Staff. The motion was approved by a vote of 7 in favor (Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, and Wood), 0 against, 0 abstaining.

3. Review, discussion and possible motion to update the *Media Communication Policy* with or without revisions.

The Committee reviewed Staff's April 18, 2019, memorandum and its recommendation regarding proposed revisions to the *Media Communication Policy*.

Staff recommended to repeal the *Policy* as it is no longer relevant. The *Board Communications Policy* addresses media communications with trustees. The *Media Communication Policy* only applies to staff, thus is more appropriate as an administrative policy. Such a policy is included in the Employee Handbook.

Following discussion on the Policy, the Committee recommends to the Board of Retirement to repeal the *Media Communication Policy*.

A motion was moved by Trustee Gamble and seconded by Trustee Wood that the Governance Committee recommends to the Board of Retirement that the *Media Communication Policy* is no longer relevant and necessary. The motion was approved by a vote of 7 in favor (Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, and Wood), 0 against, 0 abstaining.

TRUSTEE / PUBLIC INPUT

None

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FUTURE DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Conflict of Interest Policy
- Conflict of Interest Code
- Board Travel Policy
- Board Education Policy

ESTABLISHMENT OF NEXT MEETING DATE

• TBD

ADJOURNMENT

• The meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

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Date:

April 18, 2019

To:

Members of the Audit Committee

From:

Tarrell Gamble, Vice Chair

Subject:

Summary of the April 18, 2019, Audit Committee Meeting

Audit Committee Vice Chair Tarrell Gamble called the April 18, 2019, Audit Committee meeting to order at 1:00 pm. Committee members present were Dale Amaral, Keith Carson and Elizabeth Rogers. Other Board members present were Liz Koppenhaver, Alternate Retiree Member Nancy Reilly, Alternate Safety Member Darryl Walker, Jaime Godfrey and George Wood. Members of the Staff present were David Nelsen, Chief Executive Officer; Kathy Foster, Assistant Chief Executive Officer; Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer; Harsh Jadhav, Chief of Internal Audit; Kathy Mount, Chief Counsel; Vijay Jagar, Retirement Chief Technology Officer; Jessica Huffman, Benefits Manager; and Sandra Dueñas-Cuevas, Benefits Manager.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

External Audit:

1. Recommendation to extend Williams Adley & Company-CA's (WACO) contract to perform audits for calendar years 2019 and 2020.

Staff explained that WACO has audited ACERA's financial years 2016 and 2017 since its selection in October 2016. Currently WACO is auditing financial year 2018.

Staff requested approval to exercise the two-year extension option for WACO to audit ACERA's financial statements for calendar year-end 2019 and 2020.

Trustee Rogers moved, and Trustee Godfrey seconded that the Audit Committee recommend to the Board of Retirement that the Board approve the two-year contract extension option for Williams Adley & Company-CA, LLP to audit financial years 2019 and 2020.

The motion carried 7 yes (Amaral, Carson, Gamble, Godfrey, Koppenhaver, Rogers, and Wood), 0 no, 0 abstentions.

INFORMATION ITEMS

External Audit

1. Presentation and discussion of the draft Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements No. 67 and 74 Valuations as of December 31, 2018 (Segal)

Staff presented GASB 67 and 74 valuations (liability reporting) for review of the audit committee, as opposed to the (funding reporting) valuation presented to the actuarial committee.

The GASB 67 valuation measures and reports the Total/Net Pension Liability (TPL/NPL), while the GASB 74 valuation measures and reports the Total/Net OPEB (Other Postemployment Benefits) Liability (TOL/NOL).

Internal Audit

2. Progress report on the Internal Audit Plan

Staff explained that the Internal Audit Department is in the process of conducting five internal audits and completing the Alameda Health System (AHS) and Superior Courts employer audits. In addition, ACERA will also implement the Financial Fraud Hotline by the end of April, and plans to provide staff training on data analytics and financial fraud during the year.

3. Presentation and discussion of the Financial Fraud Policy

Staff presented the financial fraud policy and explained that this management policy was created to emphasize ACERA's commitment to maintain the highest standards of ethics, integrity, and accountability, and recognizing the importance of protecting the organization, its employees, operations, members and assets from the consequences of fraudulent financial activity. ACERA employees are the first line of defense against fraud and should report any concerns about financial fraud in accordance with these policy guidelines.

TRUSTEE COMMENT

None.

ESTABLISHMENT OF NEXT MEETING DATE

May 16, 2019, at 1:00 pm

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 1:44 pm

May 16, 2019 Audit Committee Minutes For approval under June 20, 2019 Board "Consent Calendar"

Operations Committee Information Item(s):

1. Quarterly Financial Statements as of March 31, 2019 For approval under May 16, 2019 Board "Consent Calendar"



MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

DATE:

May 16, 2019

TO:

Members of the Board of Retirement

FROM:

Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer

SUBJECT:

March 31, 2019, Unaudited Financial Statements

Executive Summary

Attached for review and discussion is the unaudited financial statements for the period ended March 31, 2019.

The Fiduciary Net Position Held in Trust and the Change in Fiduciary Net Position compared to the same period in 2018 increased by \$67 million.

Financial Highlights

- Net Position Restricted (Held in Trust for Benefits), as reported on the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position totaled \$8.19 billion. Total Receivables decreased by \$20 million, Investments at fair value increased by \$61 million, Cash increased by \$1 million and Total Liabilities without Security Lending Liability decreased by \$25 million.
- The year-over-year Change in Net Position increased by \$587 million. This is due to increase in additions of \$594 million and increase in deductions of \$7 million as explained below:
 - o Total Additions year-over-year increased by \$594 million. This includes, increase in contributions of \$14 million, and increase in investments of \$580 million.
 - Total Deductions year-over-year increased by \$7 million. The amount is attributable to the growth in payments of service retirement, disability benefits, retiree health programs and administrative expenses.

ALAMEDA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION As of 3/31/2019

	Year-To-Date 2019	Year-To-Date 2018
ASSETS		
Cash (Note 1)	2,222,161	1,117,633
Securities Lending Cash Collateral (Note 2)	224,493,927	271,710,161
Receivables:		
Contributions (Note 3)	23,911,661	19,962,650
Investment Receivables (Note 4a)	20,775,718	20,613,133
Unsettled Trades - Investments Sold	5,634,359	29,780,462
Futures Contracts - Equity Index (Note 5a)	423,153 28,231	669,665 21,189
Equity Index Swaps (Note 6a) Foreign Exchange Contracts (Note 7a)	477,114	164,819
Other Receivables (Note 8)	114,458	229,420
Total Receivables	51,364,695	71,441,337
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Prepaid Expenses	899,128	987,852
Total Current Assets	278,979,911	345,256,984
Investments - at Fair Value:		
Short-Term Investments (Note 9)	200,917,655	161,637,069
Domestic Equity	560,460,531	2,635,796,808
Domestic Equity Commingled Funds	1,955,814,959	16,459,501
International Equity International Equity Commingled Funds (Note 10)	1,685,742,344 478,591,227	1,819,367,341 582,306,745
Domestic Fixed Income	948,713,909	954,483,373
International Fixed Income	110,404,113	158,039,851
International Fixed Income - Commingled Funds (Note 11)	140,667,484	147,708,523
Real Estate - Separate Properties (Note 12)	69,478,466	66,668,091
Real Estate - Commingled Funds (Note 13)	498,722,411	447,523,150
Real Assets	296,661,716	306,413,660
Absolute Return (Note 14a)	706,004,006	349,867,411
Private Equity (Note 14b)	514,622,032	459,663,183
Total Investments	8,166,800,853	8,105,934,706
Capital Assets at Cost (Net of Accumulated		
Depreciation or Amortization) (Note 15)	1,706,092	1,574,140
Total Assets	8,447,486,856	8,452,765,830
LIABILITIES		
	221 702 212	
Securities Lending Liability (Note 2)	224,493,927	271,710,161
Unsettled Trades - Investments Purchased	12,216,092	39,051,444
Investment-Related Payables (Note 4b) Futures Contracts - Equity Index (Note 5b)	13,515,927 156,840	14,100,003
Equity Index Swaps (Note 6b)	130,840	258,637
Foreign Exchange Contracts (Note 7b)	1,995,960	668,050
Accrued Administration Expenses (Note 16)	2,857,554	2,791,973
Members Benefits & Refunds Payable (Note 17a)	4,155,206	3,213,201
Retirement Payroll Deductions Payable (Note 17b)	143,001	211,061
Total Liabilities	259,534,508	332,004,529
Net Position		
Restricted - Held in Trust for Benefits	8,187,952,348	8,120,761,301
Total Net Position	8,187,952,348	8,120,761,301

ALAMEDA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION For the Three Months Ending 3/31/2019

	Year-To-Date 2019	Year-To-Date 2018
ADDITIONS		*
Contributions: (Note 18)		
Members	25,423,455	22,556,504
Employers	74,713,811	63,192,284
Total Contributions	100,137,266	85,748,788
From Investment Activities:	615 922 904	21 125 061
Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments Interest	615,823,894 11,255,446	21,135,061 11,458,507
Dividends	13,137,180	12,853,816
Real Estate - Net	4,420,468	5,660,525
Private Equity and Alternatives	(7,205,503)	11,859,770
Brokers Commissions - Directed Brokerage Sub-Total of Dividends, Interest, Other Investment Income	5,970	38,700
(Note 19)	21,613,560	41,871,317
Total Income from Investment Activities	637,437,454	63,006,378
Total Investment Expenses (Note 20)	(8,026,286)	(13,574,240)
Net Income from Investment Activities (Note 21)	629,411,168	49,432,138
From Securities Lending Activities:		
Securities Lending Income	1,640,535	1,767,913
Securities Lending Expenses	(1,326,740)	(1,149,300)
Net Income from Securities Lending Activities (Note 22)	313,795 629,724,964	618,613 50,050,751
Total Net Investment Income	029,724,904	50,050,751
Miscellaneous Income (Note 23)	381,101	231,203
Total Additions	730,243,331	136,030,742
DEDUCTIONS		
Benefits:		
Service Retirement and Disability Benefits (Note 24)	117,352,199	110,739,585
Death Benefits (Note 25)	497,542	708,630
Supplemental Cost of Living Allowance Retiree Healthcare Program	272,094 10,601,714	284,476 10,015,361
Total Benefit Payments	128,723,549	121,748,051
Member Refunds	2,070,692	1,772,105
Administration: (Note 26)	0.004.400	0.700.407
Administrative Expenses Actuarial Expenses	2,904,193 88,824	2,728,437 110,510
Business Continuity Expenses	138,038	135,125
Legal Expenses	420,381	359,944
Technology Expenses	219,875	216,075
401(h) Expenses	313,500	298,750
Total Administration	4,084,811	3,848,841
Total Deductions	134,879,052	127,368,997
Net Increase(Decrease)	595,364,279	8,661,745
Net Position Held in Trust for Benefits:		
Net Position - January 1	7,592,588,069	8,112,099,556
Net Position - March 31	8,187,952,348	8,120,761,301

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Basis of Accounting

ACERA follows the accounting principles and reporting guidelines set forth by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB). ACERA's financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

(Note 1)

Cash - \$2.22 million

Cash balance is the sum of the funds in the Wells Fargo Bank operating accounts. The increase of \$1.10 million from \$1.12 million in March 31, 2018, is due to the timing differences between receipt of contributions and the transfer of funds for retiree payroll and investment.

(Note 2)

Securities Lending Cash Collateral - \$224.49 million

Cash collateral of \$224.49 million and \$271.71 million was held by ACERA related to securities on loan as of March 31, 2019, and March 31, 2018, respectively. This amount is reported as an asset with a corresponding liability for the same amount in compliance with the GASB Statement No. 28.

(Note 3)

Contributions Receivables - \$23.91 million

The receivable balances of March 31, 2019, increased approximately \$3.95 million from \$19.96 million in March 31, 2018. This is primarily due to increase in the member and employer contribution rates.

(Note 4a)

Investment Receivables - \$20.77 million

The investment receivables balance as of March 31, 2019, increased by \$0.16 million from \$20.61 million for March 31, 2018. The increase is attributed mainly to stock dividend receivables.

(Note 4b)

Investment Related Payables - \$13.52 million

The decrease of \$0.58 million in investment related payables balance as of March 31, 2019, from \$14.10 million for March 31, 2018 is primarily due to investment managers and consultant fees payable.

(Note 5)

Future Contracts Equity Index Receivables - \$0.42 million and Liability - \$0.16 million

5a. The receivable represents unrealized gains on open future contracts. The balance for unrealized gains as of March 31, 2019, and March 31, 2018, were \$0.42 million and \$0.67 million, respectively.

5b. The liability represents the unrealized losses on open future contracts. The balance for unrealized losses as of March 31, 2019, and March 31, 2018, were \$0.16 million and none, respectively.

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(Note 6)

Equity Index Swaps Receivable - \$0.03 million and Liability - none

6a. The receivable represents the amount to be received from the counterparties of the equity index swaps. The total receivable as of March 31, 2019, and March 31, 2018, were \$0.03 million and \$0.02 million, respectively.

6b. The liability represents the amount owed, but not yet paid, to the counterparties of equity index swaps. The total liabilities as of March 31, 2019, and March 31, 2018, were none and \$0.26 million, respectively.

(Note 7)

Foreign Exchange Contracts Receivables - \$0.47 million and Liability - \$2.00 million

7a. Foreign exchange (FX) contracts include currency forward contracts and spot contracts. As of March 31, 2019, and March 31, 2018, unrealized gains on FX contracts were \$0.47 million and \$0.16 million, respectively. The increase of \$0.31 million is due to change in number and valuation of contracts.

7b. The liability represents unrealized losses on foreign exchange contracts. As of March 31, 2019, the total unrealized losses were \$2.00 million. The increase in unrealized losses of \$1.33 million is due to market volatility.

(Note 8)

Other Receivables - \$0.11 million

Other receivables as of March 31, 2019, are comprised primarily of funds due from deceased retirees' estates for overpayment of benefits.

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of March 31, 2019

(Note 9)

Short-Term Investments - \$200.91 million

Short-term investments are temporarily kept in a pooled account with State Street Bank. These pooled assets are primarily invested in short-term investment funds and deposits, including U.S. Treasury and agency obligations, corporate bonds, commercial paper, repurchase agreements, certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances, time deposits, and floating-rate notes.

(Dollars in Millions)

Fund Name	3/3	1/2019
Brandywine	\$	82.57
AQR Capital Management, LLC		29.96
Unallocated Cash		10.06
Baird Investors		24.75
Capital Guardian		20.65
Loomis		10.58
Mondrian		2.64
Kennedy		5.09
TCW		5.91
Pzena		3.49
Next Century Growth Small Cap		4.04
Bivium - Dundas Partners		0.61
Bivium - Denali Advisors		0.08
Bivium - Radin Capital Partners		0.26
Bivium - Arga Investment Management		0.05
Bivium - Global Alpha Capital Mgmt.		0.07
Bivium - Applied Research Management		0.10
Total	\$	200.91

(Note 10)

International Equity Commingled Funds - \$478.59 million

As of March 31, 2019, and March 31, 2018, the International Equity Commingled Funds were \$478.59 million and \$582.31 million, respectively. The decrease of \$103.72 million is mainly due to market depreciation and transfer of funds to Private Equity, Real Assets and Absolute Return portfolios.

(Note 11)

International Fixed Income Commingled Funds - \$140.67 million

The decrease of \$7.04 million from the prior year is mainly due to market depreciation. Disclosure of credit ratings on mutual fund holdings of fixed income portfolio is not required per GASB Statement No. 40.

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of March 31, 2019

(Note 12)

Real Estate Separate Properties - \$69.48 million

The following is a summary of Real Estate – Separate Property investments as of March 31, 2019, and March 31, 2018. The year over year increase of \$2.81 million is due to the market appreciation of the Oakland 14th Street property.

(Dollars in Millions)

Investment Manager	Net Mkt. Value 2019	Net Mkt. Value 2018	No. of Properties 2019	No. of Properties 2018
RREEF	\$ 69.48	\$ 66.67	1	1

Note 13)

Real Estate Commingled Funds - \$498.72 million

Detailed records regarding these investments of public pension funds are exempt from disclosure under the California Government Code Section 6254.26. The increase of \$51.20 million in 2019 as compared to 2018 is predominantly due to additional investments net of distributions.

(*Note 14a*)

Absolute Return - \$706.00 million

Detailed records regarding these investments of public pension funds are exempt from disclosure under California Government Code Section 6254.26. The increase of \$356.14 million in 2019 as compared to 2018 is predominantly due to additional investments.

(Note 14b)

Private Equity - \$514.62 million

Detailed records regarding these investments of public pension funds are exempt from disclosure under California Government Code Section 6254.26. The increase of \$54.96 million in 2019 as compared to 2018 is predominantly due to additional investments net of distributions.

(Note 15)
Capital Assets at Cost (Net of Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization) - \$1.71 million

Net Capital Assets	3/31/	/2019	3/3	31/2018
Retirement Information System - Construction-In-Process	\$	0.21	\$	-
Equipment, Furniture & Information Systems		13.54		13.49
Electronic Document Management System		4.16		4.16
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(17.63)		(17.60)
Net Book Value		0.28		0.05
Leasehold Improvements		2.59		2.59
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(1.16)		(1.06)
Net Book Value		1.43		1.53
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$	1.71	\$	1.58

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Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method for most assets not relevant over the following estimated useful lives:

Computer Hardware	5 years
Computer Software	3 years
Equipment	5 years
Furniture	7 years
Information System – Retirement	7 years
Information System – Accounting	3 years
EDMS	5 years
Disaster Recovery	5 years
Leasehold Improvements	27.5 years

(Note 16)

Accrued Administration Expenses - \$2.86 million

Accrued administration expenses consist of accounts payable, payroll expense, actuarial services payable and other operating expense.

(Note 17) 17a. Members' Benefits & Refunds Payable - \$4.16 million

The detail of Members Benefits and Refund Payables are as follows:

Accrued Benefits and Refunds	3/3	<u>3/31/2019</u>		1/2018
Basic Active Death Benefits	\$	0.53	\$	0.53
Active Death Contribution Refunds		1.83		1.07
Retired Death Benefits		1.28		1.39
Members' Contribution Refunds		0.52	10	0.22
Total Members' Benefit & Refunds Payable	\$	4.16	\$	3.21

17b. Retirement Payroll Deductions Payables - \$0.14 million

The balance for March 31, 2019, includes health premium prepayments for 13 retirees and accrual for unused 2018 Health Reimbursement Accounts (HRA) benefits. The corresponding balance for March 31, 2018, of \$0.21 million included prepayments for 11 retirees and accrual of HRA benefits.

(Note 18)

Contributions - \$100.14 million

The increase in contributions of \$14.39 million in 2019 as compared to 2018 is primarily due to increases in employer and member contribution rates.

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
As of March 31, 2019

(Note 19)
Dividend, Interest, and Other Investment Income - \$21.61 million

	For .	the Three I	Month.	<u> 10nths Ended</u>		
Dividend, Interest, and Other Investment Income	<u>3/3</u>	<i>1/2019</i>	<u>3/3</u>	1/2018		
Interest Income	\$	11.26	\$	11.46		
Dividend Income		13.13		12.85		
Real Estate Income		4.42		5.66		
PEARLS Income/ (Losses) ⁽¹⁾	1	(7.21)		11.86		
Directed Brokerage Commission Recapture		0.01		0.04		
Total Net Income/ (Losses)(2)	\$	21.61	\$	41.87		

⁽¹⁾The PEARLS Income/ (Losses) represents the net operating results of Private Equity, Absolute Return and Real Asset Funds.

(Note 20)
Investment Expenses - \$8.03 million

	For the Three Months Ended							
Investment Expenses	Basis Points	<u>3/31/2019</u>	Basis Points	<u>3/31/2018</u>				
Investment Manager and Incentive Fees	9.34	\$ 7.63	14.16	\$ 11.48				
Investment Custodian	0.17	0.14	0.17	0.14				
Investment Consultants and Other Expense/ (Income) (*)	nse/ (0.60) (0.49) 1.50		1.21					
Subtotal Investment Services	8.91	7.28	15.83	12.83				
Investment Allocated Cost	0.92	0.75	0.92	0.74				
Total Investment Expenses(**)	9.83	\$ 8.03	16.75	\$ 13.57				

⁽²⁾ The decrease in total Net Income of \$20.26 million in 2019 as compared to 2018 is primarily due to PEARLS (Losses).

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of March 31, 2019

(*) Investment Consultant and Other Expenses/ (Income):

	F	or the Three	Months Endea	1	*
	Basis Points	3/31/2019	Basis Points	3/31	/2018
Investment Advising & Performance (Pearls, Alternative Investment)	0.27	\$ 0.22	0.27	\$	0.22
Consultant - Portfolio Rebalancing	0.01	0.01	0.02		0.01
Consultant - Legal (Alternative Investment)	0.08	0.06	0.06		0.05
Subtotal – Consultants Expenses	0.36	0.29	0.35		0.28
Proxy Services	0.01	0.01	_		1 -2 2
Transaction Cost Analysis	0.01	0.01	0.01		0.01
Other Investment Expenses/(Income) ***	(0.98)	(0.80)	1.14		0.92
Subtotal - Other Investment Expenses	(0.96)	(0.78)	1.15		0.93
Total Investment Consultants & Other Expense/ (Income)	(0.60)	\$ (0.49)	1.50	\$	1.21

^(**) The decrease in total investment expenses of \$5.54 million in 2019 as compared to 2018 is primarily due to investment management and incentive fees in Equity Securities, Private Equity and Absolute Return; and a reversal of foreign tax expense recorded in 2018.

(Note 21)
Net Investment Gain/ (Losses) - \$629.41 million

The detail of net investment income/ (losses) are as follows:

	1	For the Period Ended				Inc./(Dec.)	
		3/31/2019		3/31/2018		prior period	
Paper/Unrealized Gains/(Losses)	\$	604.01	\$	(934.07)	\$	1,538.08	
Actual/Realized Gains/(Losses)		11.81		955.21		(943.40)	
Investment Income (Interest/Dividend/RE/Other) -		13.59		28.30		(14.71)	
Net of Expenses		13.39		20.30		(14.71)	
Total Net Income/ (Losses)	\$	629.41	\$	49.44	\$	579.97	

(Note 22)

Securities Lending Net Income - \$0.31 million

The securities lending net income balance as of March 31, 2019, and March 31, 2018, were \$0.31 million and \$0.62 million, respectively.

(Note 23)

Miscellaneous Income - \$0.38 million

The miscellaneous income of \$0.38 million is predominantly from prior year investment income and recovery.

^(***) The decrease in other investment expenses of \$1.72 million in 2019 as compared to 2018 is primarily due to foreign tax expense which was overbooked in 2018. The correction has been made this year which is resulted in reduction of 2019 expenses.

NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS As of March 31, 2019

(Note 24)

Service Retirement and Disability Benefits - \$117.35 million

The increase of \$6.61 million was predominantly due to the higher average benefit paid to the newly added retirees as compared to that of deceased retirees with lower average benefits as well as an increase of 300 in the total number of retirees and beneficiaries receiving benefits, from 9,516 on March 31, 2018 to 9,816 on March 31, 2019.

(Note 25)

Death Benefits - \$0.50 million

The death benefits paid out during the three months ended March 31, 2019, were comprised of \$0.00 million of Retired Death Benefits, \$0.05 million of Active Death Benefits, and \$0.45 million of Survivorship Benefits.

(Note 26)

Total Administration - \$4.08 million

ACERA's Board of Retirement adopted Section 31580.2 of the 1937 Act. This Section allows ACERA to exclude investment (included in Total Investment Expenses under Note 20 above), actuarial, legal, business continuity related expenses and technology costs from administrative expenses subject to the statutory limits. Under Section 31618.5 ACERA excludes the SRBR administrative expenses from its total administrative expenses. ACERA's SRBR administrative expenses are the amount that exceeds the employers' 401(h) contributions allocated to estimated administrative costs of Postemployment Medical Benefits.

The detail on total Administration Expenses are as follows:

	3/31/	/2019	3/31	/2018	Inc./(De previous	
Administrative Expenses	\$	2.90	\$	2.73	\$	0.17
Actuarial Expenses		0.09		0.11		(0.02)
Business Continuity Expenses		0.14		0.13		0.01
Legal Expenses		0.42		0.36		0.06
Technology Expenses		0.22		0.22		-
401(h) Administrative Expenses		0.31		0.30		0.01
Total	\$	4.08	\$	3.85	\$	0.23

Operations Committee Information Item(s):

2. Operating Expenses as of March 31, 2019 For approval under May 16, 2019 Board "Consent Calendar"



MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

DATE:

May 16, 2019

TO:

Members of the Board of Retirement

FROM:

Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer

SUBJECT:

Operating Expense Budget Summary for the period ended March 31, 2019

ACERA's operating expenses are \$312K under budget for the period ended March 31, 2019. Budget overages and surpluses worth noting are as follows:

Budget Surpluses

- 1. Staffing: Staffing is \$147K under budget. This amount comprises surplus in staff vacancies of (\$185K) and fringe benefits of (\$111K), which are offset by overage in temporary staffing of \$149K due to vacant positions filled by temporary staff.
- 2. Staff Development: Staff Development is \$32K under budget. The is due to savings from unattended staff trainings and vacant permanent positions.
- 3. *Professional Fees:* Professional Fees are \$6K under budget. This amount comprises surplus in operations consultant fees of (\$14K) due to timing difference, actuarial fees¹ of (\$23K) due to saving from last year accrual, which are offset by overages in legal fees² of \$24K related to the unanticipated payment for professional services, and external audit fees of \$7K due to timing difference.
- 4. Office Expense: Office Expense is \$20K under budget. This amount comprises surpluses in building expense of (\$12K) mainly due to credit from CBRE for 2018 escalation reconciliation, bank charges and miscellaneous administrative expenses of (\$6K), office maintenance and supplies of (\$6K), communication expense of (\$3K), and minor equipment and furniture of (\$2K), which are offset by overage in equipment lease and maintenance of \$9K.
- 5. Member Services: Member Services are \$36K under budget. This amount comprises surpluses in disability legal arbitration and transcripts of (\$6K), disability medical expense of (\$20K) due to reduction in number of monthly cases as compared to budget, and members printing and postage³ of (\$10K) due to saving from newsletter accrual of last year.

¹ ACERA has saving of \$23K from 2018 accrual related to the professional fees for actuarial services (supplemental consulting) provided by Segal.

² The overage in legal fees of \$24K is primarily due to an unanticipated payment of \$34K to Shaw Law for professional services.

³ The surplus in members printing and postage of \$10K is primarily due to savings of \$8K from 2018 accrual related to the newsletters that were not published in 2018.

- 6. Systems: Systems are \$29K under budget. This amount comprises surpluses in business continuity expense of (\$21K) due to timing difference caused by the delay in the start of intrusion testing project, software maintenance and support of (\$7K) due to timing difference, and minor computer hardware of (\$6K), which are offset by overages in county data processing of \$4K and computer maintenance of \$1K.
- 7. Depreciation: Depreciation is \$2K under budget. This is related to office equipment primarily due to timing difference.
- 8. Board of Retirement: Board of Retirement is \$40K under budget. This amount comprises surpluses in board election expense⁴ of (\$13K), board miscellaneous expense of (\$5K), board compensation of (\$2K), and board conferences & training of (\$30K) due to savings from unattended board conferences and trainings, which are offset by overage in board employer reimbursement of \$10K.

Staffing Detail

As of March 31, 2019, ACERA had the following vacant positions:

Department	Position	QTY	Comments
D. C.	D. d'	_	Filled by temporary staff - currently
Benefits	Retirement Technician	5	budgeted until 12/2019
	Retirement Support		Filled by temporary staff - currently
Benefits	Specialist	1	budgeted until 12/2019
	Administrative Support		Filled by temporary staff - currently
Investments	Specialist	1	budgeted until 12/2019
			Vacant - currently budgeted until
Investments	Investment Analyst	2	12/2019
	Total Positions	9	

⁴ The surplus in board election expense of (\$13K) is due to saving from 2018 accrual.



ALAMEDA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE SUMMARY

YEAR TO DATE - ACTUAL VS. BUDGET March 31, 2019 YTD 2019 Actual Variance Annual % Actual to Budget Year-To-Date Year-To-Date (Under)/Over Budget Annual Budget Staffing 3,498,830 \$ 3,645,500 \$ (146,670) \$ 15,122,000 23.1% Staff Development 69,472 101,340 510,000 (31,868)13.6% Professional Fees (Next Page) 348,615 355,410 (6,795)1,187,000 29.4% Office Expense 131,803 152,260 (20,457)554,000 23.8% Insurance 320,968 320,955 1,305,000 24.6% 13 **Member Services** 78,411 114,210 (35,799)527,000 14.9% **Systems** 252,823 282,120 (29, 297)1,152,000 21.9% Depreciation 30,132 31,610 (1,478)126,000 23.9% **Board of Retirement** 102,586 142,530 (39,944)711,000 14.4% Uncollectable Benefit Payments 39,000 0.0% **Total Operating Expense** \$ 4,833,640 \$ 5,145,935 \$ (312,295)\$ 21,233,000 22.8% **Investment Consultant Fees** 295.563 367,740 (72, 177)1,486,000 19.9% Investment Custodian Fees 138,601 137,400 1,201 550,000 25.2% Investment Manager and Incentive Fees 7,625,051 12,996,300 (5,371,249)54,495,000 14.0% Other Investment Expenses/(Income) 454,000 (781,756)106,500 (888, 256)-172.2% Total Portfolio Management Investment 56,985,000 12.8% 7,277,459 \$ 13,607,940 (6,330,481) \$ Expense **Total Operating and Portfolio** 12,111,099 \$ 18,753,875 \$ (6,642,776) \$ 78,218,000 15.5% Management Investment Expense



PROFESSIONAL FEES

YEAR TO DATE - ACTUAL VS. BUDGET

March 31, 2019

2019

								2019	
		Actual		Budget	YTE	Variance		Annual	% Actual to
	Yea	ar-To-Date	Yea	r-To-Date	(Un	der)/Over		Budget	Annual Budget
Professional Fees									
Consultant Fees - Operations and Projects ¹	\$	85,500	\$	99,530	\$	(14,030)	\$	388,000	22.0%
Actuarial Fees ²		108,824		132,500		(23,676)		415,000	26.2%
External Audit ³		81,827		74,400		7,427		149,000	54.9%
Legal Fees ⁴		72,464		48,980		23,484		235,000	30.8%
Total Professional Fees	•	348,615	\$	355,410	\$	(6,795)	\$	1,187,000	
Total Froiessional Fees	Ψ	340,013	<u>Ψ</u>	333,410		(0,733)	<u> </u>	1,107,000	29.4%
		Actual		Budget) Variance	20	019 Annual	% Actual to
	Yea	ar-To-Date	Yea	r-To-Date	<u>(Un</u>	der)/Over		<u>Budget</u>	Annual Budget
1 CONSULTANT FEES - OPERATIONS AND PROJECTS: Benefits									
Admin Consultant (Process Excellence & Benchmarking)				20,000		(20,000)		70,000	0.0%
Alameda County HRS (Benefit Services)		31,500		31,500		(20,000)		126,000	25.0%
Segal (Benefit Consultant/Retiree Open Enrollment)		34,750		28,800		5,950		115,000	30.2%
Total Benefits	_	66,250	-	80,300		(14,050)	-	311,000	21.3%
Human Resources									
Lakeside Group (County Personnel)	_	19,250		19,230		20		77,000	25.0%
Total Human Resources		19,250	0-1404	19,230		20		77,000	25.0%
Total Consultant Fees - Operations		85,500	\$	99,530	\$	(14,030)	\$	388,000	22.0%
² ACTUARIAL FEES						(0.0.000)		0.45.000	
Actuarial fees (562-00-005)		88,824		112,500		(23,676)		315,000	28.2%
GASB 67 & 68 Valuation (562-00-005)		-		=7		-		46,000	0.0%
GASB 74 & 75-Actuarial (562-00-005) Actuarial fees-SRBR (562-00-007)		20,000		20,000				14,000 40,000	0.0% 50.0%
Total Actuarial Fees	\$	108,824	\$	132,500	\$	(23,676)	\$	415,000	26.2%
³ EXTERNAL AUDIT									
External audit (562-00-004)		78,230		63,000		15,230		126,000	62.1%
GASB 67 & 68 (562-00-004)		2,772		6,000		(3,228)		12,000	23.1%
GASB 74 & 75-External Audit (562-00-004)		825		5,400		(4,575)		11,000	7.5%
Total External Audit Fees	\$	81,827	\$	74,400	\$	7,427	\$	149,000	54.9%
⁴ <u>LEGAL FEES</u>									
Fiduciary Counseling		0.5.500						440.000	
Nossaman, LLP		25,520		20,000		5,520		110,000	
Baker Hostetler Reed Smith (ACD Sheriff's)		2,583 1,671		-		2,583 1,671		-	
Subtotal		29,775		20,000		9,775		110,000	27.1%
	-	20,110		20,000	-	0,710		1,10,000	271170
Tax and Benefit Issues		0.554		7.500		4.054		20.000	
Hanson, Bridgett, LLP Subtotal		8,554 8,554	-	7,500 7,500		1,054 1,054		39,000	21.9%
	-	6,334	_	7,500		1,004		39,000	21.376
Litigation									
Byers/Richardson	0			16,500		(16,500)		66,000	2.00/
Subtotal			-	16,500		(16,500)		66,000	0.0%
Investigation Services									
Law offices of Amy Oppenheimer				4,980		(4,980)		20,000	
Shaw Law Group		34,136		4 000	-	34,136			400 001
Subtotal		34,136		4,980		29,156		20,000	170.7%
Total Legal Fees	\$	72,464	\$	48,980	\$	23,484	\$	235,000	30.8%

Operations Committee Information Item(s):

3. Quarterly Cash Forecast Report as of March 31, 2019 For approval under May 6, 2019 Board "Consent Calendar"



MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

DATE:

May 16, 2019

TO:

Members of the Board of Retirement

FROM:

Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer

SUBJECT:

Actual Cash and Forecast as of March 31, 2019

Executive Summary

ACERA liquidates cash from the plan's invested assets on a monthly basis to meet its increasing financial obligations. To better manage assets, best practices recommend a robust cash forecast and analysis to understand, communicate, and manage the invested assets that fund ever-increasing pension liabilities and administrative expense obligations.

- Table 1 is the annual cash forecast from April 2019 to March 2020, which will roll forward monthly as the year progresses; and,
- Tables 2 through 4 is the annualized, 5-year actual cash management information. Please note that the current year 2019 comprises the three months actual and nine months forecast information.

Table 1 Cash Forecast: Table 1 provides the current forecasted negative cash position for the period spanning April 2019 to March 2020. The average monthly negative cash position for the referenced period is \$16,657,424. Excluding the two three-pay-period months i.e., May 2019 and November 2019, annotated by an *. The year-over-year increase in average monthly forecasted negative cash position compared to the same period in 2018 is \$714,985.

Table 1		Annual Cash Forecast from April 2019 to March 2020								
Month-Year	Total Receipts		Tota	al Disbursements	Negative Cash Position					
Apr-19	\$	31,044,000	\$	48,764,400	\$	(17,720,400)				
May-19*		46,542,197		49,189,744	300	(2,647,547)				
Jun-19		31,269,966	8-8-3	48,267,098		(16,997,133)				
Jul-19		31,382,472		48,242,477		(16,860,005)				
Aug-19		31,494,181		48,303,312	1 10 10 10 10 10 10	(16,809,131)				
Sep-19		31,605,890		48,420,140	W 900 E90	(16,814,250)				
Oct-19		31,967,599		48,491,147		(16,523,549)				
Nov-19*		47,936,491		49,030,938	-	(1,094,447)				
Dec-19		32,078,684		48,525,887		(16,447,203)				
Jan-20		32,390,422		48,580,185		(16,189,764)				
Feb-20		32,502,032		48,636,470	244 123 244	(16,134,438)				
Mar-20		32,613,625		48,691,996	,	(16,078,371)				
Total	\$	412,827,558	\$	583,143,796	\$	(170,316,238)				
Average	\$	31,834,887	\$	48,492,311	\$	(16,657,424)				

Table 1 notes: *These are three-pay-period months which are excluded from the average because they cause inaccuracy with extreme fluctuation.

Tables 2 through 4, be	low, provide a 5-year,	annualized analysis	of ACERA's cash management.
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Table 2 5-Year Annual Cash Inflow								
Year	Total Contributions, Misc. Cash Receipts, etc.		Cash 1	Draw from SSB ¹	Total Cash Inflow			
2019	\$	409,475,931	\$	193,000,000	\$	602,475,931		
2018		361,633,074		224,000,000		585,633,074		
2017		335,099,875		217,350,000		552,449,875		
2016		325,836,998		196,400,000		522,236,998		
2015		316,918,096		216,100,000		533,018,096		

Table 2 notes: Annualized inflow of total cash receipts. The Cash Draw from SSB, in the second column is the actual net cash drawn from ACERA's investment portfolio.

Table 3	5-Year Annual Cash Outflow								
Year	Retiree Payroll, Accounts Payable, ACERA Payroll, etc.		Cash	Return to SSB	Total Cash Outflow				
2019	\$	573,118,248	\$	29,500,000	\$	602,618,248			
2018		534,704,781		66,503,646		601,208,427			
2017		502,857,234		33,750,000		536,607,234			
2016		475,743,162		45,900,000		521,643,162			
2015		454,551,561		78,200,000		532,751,561			

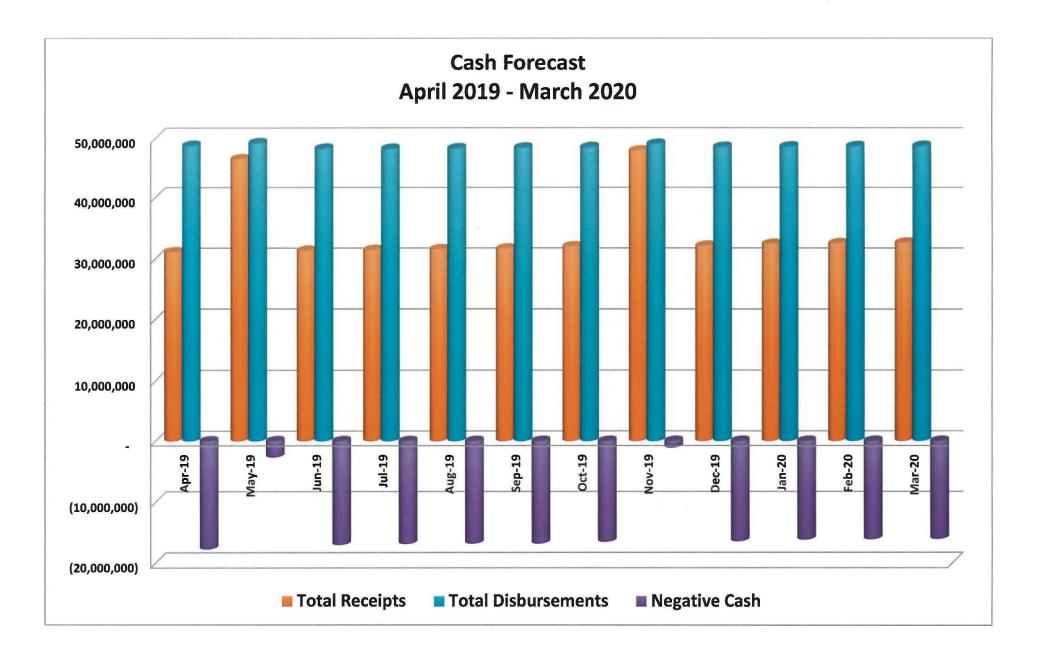
Table 3 notes: Annualized outflow of retirement and benefit payments, accounts payable, and ACERA payroll. Excess cash (Cash Return to SSB column) is wired to the SSB HI1A account.

Table 4	5-Year Annual Net Cash Position								
Year	Negative Cash	Net Cas	sh Draw from SSB	Variance					
2019	\$ (163,642,317)	\$	163,500,000	\$	(142,317)				
2018	(173,071,707)		157,496,354		(15,575,353)				
2017	(167,757,359)		183,600,000		15,842,641				
2016	(149,906,164)		150,500,000		593,836				
2015	(137,633,465)		137,900,000		266,535				

Table 4 notes: Annualized Negative Cash position and the SSB Net Cash Draw. Due to timing differences and end-of-year balance differences, the net cash draw can fluctuate several hundred-thousand dollars in a year-over-year comparison.

Conclusion: This information is not meant to be statistically inferential in nature; but rather, it presents facts about ACERA's negative cash position on a 5-year annualized basis. Future analysis of the this information can be undertaken to evaluate specific tendency; however, the current presentation is intended to provide a factual assessment of the actual cash draw down of ACERA's investment portfolio.

^{1 (}SSB) State Street Bank



Operations Committee Information Item(s):

4. Board Member Conference Expense Report for 1st Qtr. 2019 For approval under May 16, 2019 Board "Consent Calendar"



MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

DATE:

May 16, 2019

TO:

Members of the Board of Retirement

FROM:

Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer

SUBJECT:

Board Conference and Training Expense Report for the period January 1, 2019, to

March 31, 2019

Attached is the year-to-date Board conference and training expense report. As of March 31, 2019, reported expenses were \$35,623.

ACERA Trustees Board Conference Expense Report January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019

From	To	Attendee	Conference	Location		Total
05/07/19	05/10/19	Dale Amaral	SACRS - Spring Conference	Anaheim, CA	\$	367.78
N. S. S. S.		Dale Amaral Total		PLANTE VICE	\$	367.78
01/09/19	01/11/19	Darryl Walker	Opal Public Funds Summit	Scottsdale, AZ	\$	31.92
01/28/19	01/30/19	Darryl Walker	Callan Institute - 2019 National Conference	San Francisco, CA	\$	20.24
02/11/19	02/13/19	Darryl Walker	Super Return US West	Los Angeles, CA	\$	637.94
			NASP Day of Education in Private Equity for			
03/27/19	03/28/19	Darryl Walker	Trustees	Los Angeles, CA	\$	279.96
04/09/19	04/10/19	Darryl Walker	(*) Pension Bridge, Private Equity Exclusive	San Francisco, CA	\$	189.00
05/07/19	05/10/19	Darryl Walker	(*) SACRS - Spring Conference	Anaheim, CA	\$	805.62
		Darryl Walker Total	第一个人们的一个人们的一个人们的一个人们的一个人们的一个人们的一个人们的一个人们的	对于 从中央	\$	1,964.68
			(*) Foundation Research Associates - 5th			
04/09/19	04/10/19	Elizabeth Rogers	Annual Conference	New York, NY	\$	695.00
05/07/19	05/10/19	Elizabeth Rogers	(*) SACRS - Spring Conference	Anaheim, CA	\$	367.78
		Elizabeth Rogers Total			\$	1,062.78
03/02/19	03/05/19	George Wood	CALAPRS General Assembly	Monterrey, CA	\$	150.00
04/28/19	05/01/19	George Wood	(*) Milken Global Conference 2019	Beverly Hills, CA	\$	10,000.00
05/07/19	05/10/19	George Wood	(*) SACRS - Spring Conference	Anaheim, CA	\$	367.78
是是不是		George Wood Total	产生的思想,所谓这些政治		\$	10,517.78
01/28/19	01/30/19	Henry Levy	Callan Institute - 2019 National Conference	San Francisco, CA	\$	30.79
03/02/19	03/05/19	Henry Levy	CALAPRS General Assembly	Monterrey, CA	\$	872.44
03/18/19	03/22/19	Henry Levy	Black Rock-Indexing & Alpha Strategies	San Francisco, CA	\$	23.01
04/09/19	04/10/19	Henry Levy	(*) Pension Bridge, Private Equity Exclusive	San Francisco, CA	\$	189.00
			(*) Instituional Investor Forums - Public			
04/24/19	04/26/19	Henry Levy	Funds	Beverly Hills, CA	\$	257.98
			(*) Wharton Advanced Investments			
04/29/19	05/02/19	Henry Levy	Management	Pensylvania, PA	\$	598.94
05/07/19	05/10/19	Henry Levy	(*) SACRS - Spring Conference	Anaheim, CA	\$	367.78
		Henry Levy Total			\$	2,339.94
00/0=/10	00/00/40		CALAPRS Advanced Principles of Pension			
03/27/19	03/29/19	Jaime Godfrey	Management for Trustees	Los Angeles, CA	\$	3,100.00
05/07/19	05/10/19	Jaime Godfrey	(*) SACRS - Spring Conference	Anaheim, CA	\$	367.78
0.4/20/10	05/01/10	Jaime Godfrey Total	(#\\A'!)		\$	3,467.78
04/28/19	05/01/19	Keith Carson	(*) Milken Global Conference 2018	Los Angeles, CA	\$	10,000.00
05/07/10	05/10/10	Keith Carson Total	(*) CACRC Contractor	4 1 2 01	\$	10,000.00
05/07/19	05/10/19	Liz Koppenhaver Liz Koppenhaver Total	(*) SACRS - Spring Conference	Anaheim, CA	\$	367.78
04/00/10				Can Francisco CA		367.78
04/09/19 05/07/19	04/10/19 05/10/19	Nancy Reilly Nancy Reilly	(*) Pension Bridge, Private Equity Exclusive (*) SACRS - Spring Conference	San Francisco, CA	\$	189.00 367.78
03/07/19	03/10/19	Nancy Reilly Total	(*) SACKS - Spring Conference	Anaheim, CA	\$	556.78
	N. S.	Ivancy Kemy Total	NASD Diverse and Emerging Manager		Ф	330.70
01/17/19	01/17/19	Tarrell Gamble	NASP - Diverse and Emerging Manager Forum	Baltimore, MD	\$	2,043.92
01/1//19	01/1//19	Tarren Gamble	African Diaspora Investment Symposium	Baitimore, IVID	Ф	2,043.92
01/24/19	01/26/19	Tarrell Gamble	2019	Mountain View, CA	•	315.15
01/24/19	01/26/19	Tarrell Gamble	NASP - Pension Bridge Annual Conference	San Francisco, CA		189.00
02/01/19	02/01/19	Tarrell Gamble	CALAPRS Trustees Round Table	Oakland, CA	\$ \$	125.00
03/07/19	03/07/19	Tarrell Gamble	SEO Alternative Investments	New York, NY	\$	1,233.96
03/0//19	03/07/19	Tarren Gamble	NASP Day of Education in Private Equity for	INCW I UIK, IN I	Ф	1,233.90
03/27/19	03/28/19	Tarrell Gamble	Trustees	Los Angeles, CA	\$	702.96
03/4//19	05/10/19	Tarrell Gamble	(*) SACRS - Spring Conference	Anaheim, CA	\$	367.78
05/07/10		Larrell Calliole) Shorts spring conference	maneni, CA	Ψ	307.70
05/07/19		Tarrell Gamble Total		AND STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE P	\$	4,977.77

Operations Committee Information Item(s):

5. Senior Manager Conference and Training Expense Report for 1st Qtr. 2019 For approval under May 16, 2019 Board "Consent Calendar"



MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

DATE:

May 16, 2019

TO:

Members of the Board of Retirement

FROM:

Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer

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SUBJECT:

Senior Managers Conference and Training Expense Report for the period

January 1, 2019, to March 31, 2019

Attached is the year-to-date Senior Managers' Conference and Training Expense Report. As of March 31, 2019, reported expenses totaled \$5,195.

ACERA Sr. Managers SM Conference and Training Expense Report January 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019

From	To	Senior Manager	Training/Conference	Total
FIUII	10	Schiol Manager	Training/Contenence	Total
			Training	
05/20/19	05/20/19	Betty Tse	Employee Benefit Plans Annual Audit Webcast	\$ 345.00
06/04/19	06/04/19	Betty Tse	Create Reports that Matter Webcast	295.00
06/14/19	06/14/19	Betty Tse	California Frauds, Scams, Webcast	295.00
07/16/19	07/16/19	Betty Tse	California Ethics and Frauds Studies Webcast	295.00
07/31/19	07/31/19	Betty Tse	Common Frauds and Internal Controls Webcast	295.00
		Betty Tse Training Total		\$ 1,525.00
1000			Conference	
01/30/19	01/30/19	Betty Tse	Callan Conference	\$ 34.40
03/04/19	03/04/19	Betty Tse	Calaprs General Assembly	307.30
04/26/19	04/26/19	Betty Tse	Women's Leadership Forum	325.00
		Betty Tse Conference Total		\$ 666.70
			Conference	
01/25/19	01/25/19	Dave Nelsen	Calaprs Administrators Roundtable	\$ 563.21
03/02/19	03/05/19	Dave Nelsen	Calaprs General Assembly	710.04
		Dave Nelsen Conference Total		\$ 1,273.25
			Conference	
03/04/19	03/05/19	Harsh Jadhav	Cybersecurity Conference	\$ 1,595.00
		Harsh Jadhav Conference Total		\$ 1,595.00
电影		网络克里克克克克斯克克克 经制	Conference	
02/01/19	02/01/19	Kathy Mount	Calaprs Attorneys' Roundtable	\$ 135.00
		Kathy Mount Conference Total		\$ 135.00
		Grand Total		\$ 5,194.95

NEW BUSINESS

- 7.A. Motion that after contributions are made to the 401(h) accounts by the respective Participating Employers, ACERA, in accordance with the CERL, treat an equal amount of Supplemental Retiree Benefit Reserve assets as employer contributions for pensions and transfer the amount equal to the pro rata share of the 401(h) contributions for the 2019-2020 fiscal year for each Participating Employer. The exact amount will be adjusted by the balance remaining in each of the 401(h) accounts and is contingent upon receipt by ACERA of an authorizing resolution from the Participating Employers' governing bodies.
- 7.B. Chief Executive Officer's Report.

NEW BUSINESS

7.A. Motion that after contributions are made to the 401(h) accounts by the respective Participating Employers, ACERA, in accordance with the CERL, treat an equal amount of Supplemental Retiree Benefit Reserve assets as employer contributions for pensions and transfer the amount equal to the pro rata share of the 401(h) contributions for the 2019-2020 fiscal year for each Participating Employer. The exact amount will be adjusted by the balance remaining in each of the 401(h) accounts and is contingent upon receipt by ACERA of an authorizing resolution from the Participating Employers' governing bodies.



MEMORANDUM TO THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

DATE:

May 16, 2019

TO:

Members of the Board

FROM:

Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer of for MAT

SUBJECT:

Participating Employers' Recommended Contributions to their Alameda

County Employees' Retirement Association 401(h) Accounts for the

2019-2020 Fiscal Year

Each year, the governing bodies of ACERA's Participating Employers authorize ACERA to establish a 401(h) account on their behalf. These accounts are funded by the Participating Employers with a portion of the normal annual contributions to ACERA. Simultaneously, after contributions are made in accordance with the County Employee Retirement Law (CERL), ACERA treats an equal amount of Supplemental Retiree Benefits Reserve (SRBR) assets as employer contributions for pensions and transfers that amount to the appropriate Employer Advance Reserve. This procedure provides retirees with contributions towards their Retiree Health Benefits (RHBs) on a tax-free basis in compliance with Internal Revenue Code Section (IRC) §401(h).

Background

Beginning with resolution 96-634 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors has annually authorized County contributions to a 401(h) account to provide non-vested RHBs to retirees on a non-taxable basis. In accordance with the County's annual resolution, ACERA's actuary has estimated the cost to fund this account, and the County has paid these funds into the 401(h) account in conjunction with its annual normal retirement contribution payment.

In 2005, in an effort to limit its cost related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEBs) the Alameda County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution number R-2005-292. The resolution states: (1) the County's annual contribution to ACERA's 401(h) account be limited to costs related to non-vested OPEB benefits attributed to retired County employees, and (2) that contributions for retired employees of other ACERA member entities (e.g. Alameda County Medical Center now named Alameda Health System, Housing Authority and Livermore Area Recreation and Park District, etc.) were the responsibility of those entities. Subsequently, the Alameda County Housing Authority, the Alameda Health System (AHS), the Livermore Area Recreation and Park District (LARPD) and First Five-Alameda County Children and Families Commission (First 5) chose to establish their own 401(h) accounts. Alameda County includes the Alameda County Office of Education in the County's 401(h). In accordance with Government Code 71624, the Superior Court of California is also included in the County's 401(h). However, the Superior Court funds its own 401(h) contribution amount.

The Segal Company, ACERA's actuary, projected that \$54,596,000 will be required in contributions for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. IRC § 401(h) limits the total contribution under the plan to 25% of total contributions. In the attached letter, The Segal Company confirmed that the estimate of the 401(h) contributions does not exceed the 25% limit of the total contribution under the plan imposed by the IRC Section 401(h).

The attached 401(h) Contributions Summary by Participating Employer schedule shows a percentage breakdown of the 401(h) expense by employer based on the number of retirees eligible for non-vested OPEB benefits. This percentage was applied to the projected 401(h) contributions total of \$54,596,000 and was adjusted by the estimated balance remaining in the 401(h) account, as of June 30, 2019 for fiscal year 2019-2020.

Employer	Percentage	Net Contribution
Alameda County	81.72%	\$35,892,896.16
AHS	11.82%	\$5,240,543.18
First 5	0.11%	\$49,709.18
Housing Authority	0.60%	\$266,553.24
LARPD	0.69%	\$307,750.19
Superior Court	5.06%	\$2,247,163.55
Total Net Contribution	100.00%	\$44,004,615.50

The estimated contributions for all Participating Employers include:

- Projected health premium subsidy increases of 3.125% for medical and 4.50% for Medicare Part B, dental and vision;
- An additional 10% subsidy requirement for 2019-2020 to provide a margin for unexpected retirements (e.g., if the employer grants Golden Handshake benefits);
- Administrative expenses for health benefits:

ACERA will send a letter to each of the Participating Employers requesting that their respective governing bodies pass a resolution to approve the funding of their 401(h) account in the upcoming fiscal year in the amount specified by ACERA's actuary and adjusted by the balance remaining in their 401(h) account.

Recommendation

Staff recommends to the Board of Retirement that after contributions are made to the 401(h) accounts by the respective Participating Employers, ACERA, in accordance with the CERL, treat an equal amount of Supplemental Retiree Benefits Reserve (SRBR) assets as employer contributions for pensions and transfer the amount equal to the pro rata share of the 401(h) contributions for the 2019-2020 fiscal year for each Participating Employer. The exact amount will be adjusted by the balance remaining in each of their 401(h) accounts and is contingent upon receipt by ACERA of an authorizing resolution from each of the Participating Employers' governing bodies.

MMA/srp
Attachments (2)

¹ This is required to comply with tax qualification requirements per ACERA's Tax Counsel.



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VIA E-MAIL and USPS

April 25, 2019

Ms. Margo Allen Fiscal Services Officer Alameda County Employees' Retirement Association 475 14th Street, Suite 1000 Oakland, CA 94612-1900

Re: 401(h) Contributions for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year

Dear Margo,

Pursuant to the Association's request, we have estimated the 401(h) contributions for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Results and Analysis

We project that, for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, the Association will need \$54,596,000 to provide medical benefit subsidies from the 401(h) account. The process used to determine the actual biweekly contribution amounts is discussed on page 2. Please note that as previously directed by ACERA, in developing the estimated 401(h) contribution amount, we have included the expenses related to the administration of health benefits for retirees.

The 401(h) funding requirement is developed as follows:

1. Total monthly premium subsidy paid by ACERA to all health benefit plan providers during the month of February 2019, projected to June 2019 by the Association (for comparison purposes only).

\$3,664,000*

2. Annualized premium subsidy as of February 2019, projected to June 2019 (for comparison purposes only).

\$43,968,000

* Last year, the total monthly premium subsidy paid by ACERA to all health benefit plan providers for February 2018 and projected to June 2018 by the Association was \$3,465,000, or \$41,580,000 annualized.

3. Best estimate of annualized premium subsidy required for 2019-2020 (based on actual payouts from July 2018 through February 2019 and estimated payouts from March 2019 through June 2019 provided by ACERA). Following the Association's current practice, we have assumed that the Retirement Board will increase the Monthly Medical Allowance at the rate equal to one-half of the lowest medical trend assumption for the non-Medicare and Medicare Advantage plans. We have assumed that the Medicare Part B, dental and vision subsidies will increase at the full rate of the trend assumption for those plans for calendar year 2019 (as assumed in the December 31, 2017 SRBR valuation). The assumed increases in the subsidy calculation are 3.125% for medical and 4.50% for Medicare Part B, dental and vision plans.

\$48,310,000

4. Increase of 10% in Item 3 to provide a margin for unexpected retirements rounded to nearest \$1,000.

\$4,831,000

5. Administrative expenses for health benefits, rounded to nearest \$1,000.

\$1,455,0002

6. Sum of Items 3, 4, and 5.

\$54,596,000

Important Assumptions Regarding Anticipated Change In Health Premium Subsidy

Except for the projected health premium subsidy increases described above, we have not assumed any other changes in the level of subsidy from 2018-2019 to 2019-2020. Our estimate will have to be revised if the Retirement Board later decides to amend the level of benefits.

401(h) Contributions

The actual required contributions for the 2019-2020 fiscal year should be determined by subtracting the June 30, 2019 balance in the 401(h) account from the \$54,596,000. We understand that this net amount will be contributed to the 401(h) account on a biweekly basis by the employers and the Association will transfer a like amount from the Supplemental Retirees Benefit Reserve to the Employer Advance Reserve.

¹ This is based on 50% of the 6.25% trend assumption used to project the increase for Medicare Advantage plans from calendar year 2019 to calendar year 2020, as described in our assumptions letter for the December 31, 2017 SRBR valuation dated March 27, 2018.

As part of the determination of the 401(h) contributions for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, we followed the directions from the Association (as provided in the past) to use the actual 2017 calendar year expense as a proxy for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. We have maintained this procedure and have used the actual 2018 calendar year expense as a proxy for the 2019-2020 fiscal year expense.

As instructed by the Association, we have provided a breakdown of the 401(h) expense by employer in the following table. We understand that the breakdown has been compiled by the Association as of February 2019, based on the number of retirees eligible for retirement benefits.

Percentage of 401(h) Contributions			
81.72%			
11.82%			
5.06%			
0.69%			
0.60%			
0.11%			
100.00%			

^{*}As in years past, the Office of Education and the Alameda County Fire Department are included in the County's number and percentage.

Under IRC Section 401(h), medical benefits must be "incidental" to the retirement benefits under a plan. Section 401(h) indicates that medical benefits will be considered "incidental" if the contributions for medical benefits are less than 25% of the total contributions under the plan (excluding unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) payments). We believe that the transfer from the Supplemental Retirees Benefit Reserve should be treated as an offset to the UAAL contribution requirement (to the extent that the net UAAL payment after the offset is still positive), which means that in a given year the medical contributions can be up to 25% of the total Normal Cost contributions.

In the following table, we demonstrate that the value of the medical benefits is in compliance with the above requirement. Please note that as the Retirement Board has not yet adopted the contribution rates for the December 31, 2018 valuation, we have continued to apply the average employer and employee contribution rates calculated in the last valuation, that is, as of December 31, 2017, to the payroll calculated in that valuation, increased by 3.50% to reflect one year of projected payroll growth.

Source of Contributions	Estimated Amount (\$millions)		
Employee Normal Cost (based on an aggregate member rate of 9.37% calculated in the December 31, 2017 valuation and an estimated payroll of \$1,092.6 million)	\$102.4		
Employer Normal Cost (based on aggregate employer normal cost rate of 10.76% calculated in the December 31, 2017 valuation and an estimated payroll of \$1,092.6 million)	\$117.6		
Recommended 401(h) Medical Contributions	\$54.6		
Total Normal Cost and Recommended 401(h) Medical Contributions	\$274.6		
Ratio of 401(h) Contributions to the Total Normal Cost Contributions and Recommended 401(h) Medical Contributions	19.9%³		

These calculations were prepared under our supervision. Except as noted above, the calculations are based on the December 31, 2017 actuarial valuation results including the membership data and the actuarial assumptions on which that valuation was based.

We are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and we meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion herein.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Andy Yeung, ASA, MAAA, FCA, EA

Vice President & Actuary

Thomas Bergman, ASA, MAAA, EA Retiree Health Actuary

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 $^{^3}$ This ratio was 21.4% as provided in our 401(h) contributions letter for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

401(h) Contributions needed for County and Special Districts - For the Fiscal Year 2019-2020

<u>Employer</u>	Percentage of 401(h) Contribution	<u>Paid Interval</u>	Actuarial 401(h) Account Balance Required for FY 2019-2020	Est. 401(h) Balance as of 6/30/2019	FY 2019-2020 Required 401(h) Contribution Amount	FY 2019-2020 Per Pay Period 401(h) Payment
Alameda County	81.72%	Bi-Weekly (26 PP)	\$ 44,615,851.20	\$ 8,722,955.04	\$ 35,892,896.16	\$ 1,380,496.01
AHS	11.82%	Bi-Weekly (26 PP)	6,453,247.20	1,212,704.02	5,240,543.18	\$ 201,559.35
First 5	0.11%	Bi-Weekly (26 PP)	60,055.60	10,346.42	49,709.18	\$ 1,911.89
Housing Authority	0.60%	Bi-Weekly (26 PP)	327,576.00	61,022.76	266,553.24	\$ 10,252.05
Livermore Area Parks District	0.69%	Bi-Weekly (26 PP)	376,712.40	68,962.21	307,750.19	\$ 11,836.55
Superior Court	5.06%	Bi-Weekly (26 PP)	2,762,557.60	515,394.05	2,247,163.55	\$ 86,429.37
Cuponor Court						
Total	100.00%		\$ 54,596,000.00	\$ 10,591,384.50	\$ 44,004,615.50	\$ 1,692,485.22

Per SEGAL letter dated April 25, 2019 required amount

54,596,000.00

^{**} Please see attached payment schedule.

NEW BUSINESS

7.B. Chief Executive Officer's Report.



Office of the Chief Executive Officer Office of Administration

DATE:

May 16, 2019

TO:

Members of the Board of Retirement

FROM:

Dave Nelsen, Chief Executive Officer

SUBJECT:

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Senior Manager Recruitment

No vacancies needing recruitment.

Committee/Board Action Items

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Follow-Up Board Item	Assigned Senior Leader	Estimated Completion Date	Completion Date	Notes
Develop a policy regarding pre-payment of contributions by employers	Dave Nelsen	May 2019	This idea will be brought to the Operations committee in June.	A law passed in 2017 expanding the circumstances regarding employers pre-paying retirement contributions. ACERA should develop a policy regarding this option.
Revise the format of the Statement of Reserves Report	Margo Allen	With the next Semi-annual report	Completed with the last report.	Revise the format of the Report to increase readability, particularly for those accessing the report electronically.
Conduct a survey of retirees regarding SRBR priorities	Kathy Foster	Summer of 2019	estantines and anem year	Retirees' Committee discussion of possible benefit focus for funding analysis led to the agreement to gather input on this topic from the retirees.

Conference Schedule

NCPERS Annual Conference May 20-22.

Other

Team Engagement Survey

We conducted our second team engagement survey from April 15-April 22. This survey asked the same questions as last October, and the team rated their answers based upon the last six months of activity. Results of the survey will be shared with the Board prior to the meeting.

Pension Administration System (PAS) Replacement:

LRWL has been working through the requirements meetings and are on-schedule for the delivery of the requirements document to LRS. They have largely completed documentation of the "as is" processes and are working on the "to be" requirements. These requirements will be submitted to LRS as developed for analysis, and will become the foundation for contract negotiation and design/development of the new system.

Process Excellence Activities:

The Employee Development project is completing work developing employee personal development plan templates and processes. This was implemented in April. To date, we have developed a new performance evaluation tool, and implemented a performance development plan template and process used with each employee. The team has also developed a professional development plan template for those employees trained in their current role and are interested in further career development. Team members and leaders will be trained on this new tool in June.

The current benefits process being examined, Service Purchases, has been largely completed. Early results show reduced processing time for new requests decreasing from over 90 days to complete to less than 45 days on average. Additionally, work is being done to reduce the backlog of previously requested purchases. The next process being looked at is the Terminations process, which is in the early stages of evaluation.

2019 Board Off-Site Event

We have been looking into possible speakers for the Board Off-Site event. Please let me know if you have any suggestions for possible topics of discussion. Some possible topics of interest, or topics discussed but not implemented last year include:

- Macro-economic view
- Geo-political climate and the impact on investments
- · A close up look at investment in China, or other emerging markets
- An update on what is new in pensions around the Country, like we had from NASRA two years ago
- A presentation on cyber security and emerging issues
- A session on governance and any new trends in governance theory
- A discussion of possible new actuarial standards