

# ALAMEDA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD OF RETIREMENT MINUTES

# Thursday, June 15, 2023

Chair Jaime Godfrey called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: Ophelia Basgal

Keith Carson Ross Clippinger

Tarrell Gamble (Arrived After Roll Call)

Jaime Godfrey Henry Levy Elizabeth Rogers Kellie Simon George Wood

Cynthia Baron (*Alternate*) Kevin Bryant (*Alternate*)

Staff Present: Carlos Barrios, Assistant Chief Executive Officer-Benefits

Angela Bradford, Executive Secretary Sandra Dueñas-Cuevas, Benefits Manager Erica Haywood, Fiscal Services Officer Jessica Huffman, Benefits Manager Harsh Jadhav, Chief of Internal Audit

Vijay Jagar, Retirement Chief Technology Officer, ACERA Lisa Johnson, Assistant Chief Executive Officer-Operations

David Nelsen, Chief Executive Officer

Jeff Rieger, Chief Counsel

Betty Tse, Chief Investment Officer

Staff Excused: Victoria Arruda, Human Resource Officer

# **PUBLIC INPUT**

None.

# CONSENT CALENDAR REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

## REPORT ON SERVICE RETIREMENTS

Appendix A

# LIST OF DEFERRED RETIREMENTS

Appendix B

### LIST OF DECEASED MEMBERS

Appendix C

# APPROVE REQUEST(S) FOR UP TO 130 BI-WEEKLY PAYMENTS TO RE-DEPOSIT CONTRIBUTIONS AND GAIN CREDIT

None

# APPROVE UNCONTESTED STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS ON DISABILITY RETIREMENTS AND DEATH BENEFITS

None

# APPROVE UNCONTESTED HEARING OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENTS AND DEATH BENEFITS

None

# APPROVE MINUTES of BOARD and COMMITTEE MEETINGS

May 17, 2023 Investment Committee Minutes

May 18, 2023 Actuarial Committee Minutes

May 18, 2023 Audit Committee Minutes

May 18, 2023Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

June 7, 2023 Operations Committee Minutes

June 7, 2023 Retirees Committee Minutes

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

• None

#### 23-40

It was moved by Ophelia Basgal and seconded by Kellie Simon that the Board adopt the Consent Calendar. The motion carried 8 yes (*Basgal, Carson, Clippinger, Godfrey Levy, Rogers, Simon, Wood*), 0 no, and 0 abstentions. *Trustee Gamble was not present for the motion*.

# REGULAR CALENDAR REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

# **DISABILITY AND DEATH BENEFIT CLAIMS**

None.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND MOTIONS

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

# **Operations:**

Kellie Simon reported that the Operations Committee met on June 7, 2023 and that there were no Action Items. Trustee Simon reported on the following Information Items: 1) Operating Expenses as of 04/30/2023; and 2) Board Elections.

Minutes of the meeting were approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

#### Retirees:

Elizabeth Rogers reported that the Retirees Committee met on June 7, 2023 and that the Committee discussed The Implicit Subsidy cost for Plan Year 2023.

### **23-41**

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Kellie Simon that the Board authorize Staff to transfer \$7,842,215 from the Supplemental Retiree Benefit Reserve account to the County Advance Reserve to be amortized over 20 years as the Implicit Subsidy payment for Plan Year 2022. The motion carried 8 yes (Basgal, Carson, Clippinger, Godfrey Levy, Rogers, Simon, Wood), 0 no, and 0 abstentions. Trustee Gamble was not present for the motion.

Trustee Rogers further reported that the Committee discussed the Statement of Intent to continue the Implicit Subsidy Program for health Plan Year 2024.

#### 23-42

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Kellie Simon that the Board adopt a Statement of Intent to continue the Implicit Subsidy Program for health Plan Year 2024, following a determination by ACERA at the end of Plan Year 2024 that the amount is not greater than the actual retiree Implicit Subsidy. The motion carried 8 yes (Basgal, Carson, Clippinger, Godfrey Levy, Rogers, Simon, Wood), 0 no, and 0 abstentions. Trustee Gamble was not present for the motion.

Trustee Rogers stated that Staff reported on the following Information Items: 1) Presentation and Report on Health Care Inflation/Trends; 2) Preliminary Report on Projected Benefit Costs Funded through the Supplemental Retiree Benefit Reserve; 3) Monthly Medical Allowance for 2024; 4) 2024 Medical Plans Update/Renewal Requests of ACERA/County of Alameda; 5) Report on Health Reimbursement Arrangement Account Balances and Reimbursements; 6) Plans for Open Enrollment and Retiree Health and Wellness Fair; 7) Report on Annual Health Care Planning Meeting with Retiree Groups; and 8) Medicare Eligible Retirees Out of Group Plan Service Area.

Minutes of the meeting were approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

#### Investment:

Tarrell Gamble reported that the Investment Committee met on June 14, 2023 and that the Committee reviewed and discussed the Finalists for ACERA's General Investment Consultant (GIC) Search.

## 23-43

It was moved by Tarrell Gamble and seconded by George Wood that the Board approve the following four (4) Finalists who submitted Proposals in response to the ACERA Request for Proposals (RFP) for General Investment Consultant (GIC): 1) Callan LLC; 2) Meketa Investment Group; 3) NEPC LLC; and 4) Verus Advisory, Inc. The motion carried 8 yes (Basgal, Carson, Clippinger, Godfrey Levy, Rogers, Simon, Wood), 1 no (Gamble), and 0 abstentions.

It was noted that the fifth bidder, Aon Investment, was eliminated as a finalist.

Trustee Gamble further reported that the Committee was presented with and discussed the Minimum Qualifications, and Scoring Matrix for the Emerging Markets Equity Manager Search.

## **23-44**

It was moved by Tarrell Gamble and seconded by George Wood that the Board approve the Minimum Qualifications and Scoring Matrix for the Emerging Markets Equity Manager Search. The motion carried 9 yes (*Basgal, Carson, Clippinger, Gamble, Godfrey Levy, Rogers, Simon, Wood*), 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Trustee Gamble stated that Staff reported on the following Information Items: 1) Semiannual Performance Review for the Period Ending March 31, 2023 – Total Fund Review Highlighting Public Markets Asset Classes and Absolute Return; and 2) Semiannual Performance Review for the Period Ending December 31, 2022 for: a) Private Equity; b) Private Credit; and c) Real Assets.

Minutes of the meeting will be presented to the Board for adoption on the Consent Calendar at the July 20, 2023 Board meeting.

#### Actuarial:

Ophelia Basgal reported that the Actuarial Committee met earlier today and that there were no Action Items. Trustee Basgal further reported that Segal presented and gave a high-level overview on the Information Item regarding the deterministic and stochastic projections as part of the Risk Assessment Report based on the Actuarial Valuation and Review as of December 31, 2022.

Minutes of the meeting will be presented to the Board for adoption on the Consent Calendar at the July 20, 2023 Board meeting.

#### Audit:

Henry Levy reported that the Audit Committee met earlier today and that the Committee reviewed and discussed the audited Schedule of Employer Allocations (Pension and OPEB) and the audited Schedule of Pension and OPEB Amounts by Employer based on addenda to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67 and Statement No. 74, valuations as of December 31, 2022.

## **23-45**

It was moved by Henry Levy and seconded by George Wood that the Board adopt the audited Schedule of Employer Allocations (Pension and OPEB) and the audited Schedule of Pension and OPEB Amounts by Employer based on addenda to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67 and Statement No. 74, valuations as of December 31, 2022. The motion carried 8 yes (Basgal, Carson, Clippinger, Godfrey Levy, Rogers, Simon, Wood), 0 no, and 1 abstention (Gamble).

Trustee Levy stated that Staff reported on the following Information Items: 1) Presentation and discussion of GASB Statement No. 68 and GASB Statement No. 75 Valuations and Employer Schedules as of December 31, 2022; 2) Progress report on the Internal Audit Plan; and 3) Review of audits in progress.

Minutes of the meeting will be presented to the Board for adoption on the Consent Calendar at the July 20, 2023 Board meeting.

# **NEW BUSINESS**:

# Discussion and Possible Motion regarding Consolidation of Committee Meeting Days

Chief Executive Officer Dave Nelsen reported that the Board previously discussed consolidating Committee meeting days to twice a month at the June 15, 2023 Board meeting. However, the Board requested that Chair Godfrey and Mr. Nelsen bring back a proposal to today's meeting for the Board's consideration. Mr. Nelsen gave a high-level overview of a proposed Pilot Committee Meeting Day Schedule. Mr. Nelsen suggested that cyclical and regular materials/reports could be distributed separately in an effort to reduce the amount of materials included in Committee Packets and that the length of presentations could also be streamlined/limited. Mr. Nelsen explained that if the proposed Pilot Committee Meeting Day Schedule becomes problematic, the Board could revert back to the previous Committee meeting schedule. Chair Godfrey and Trustees expressed their concerns and after discussion, the following motion was made:

## 23-46

It was moved by Jaime Godfrey and seconded by Ophelia Basgal that the Board adopt the proposed Pilot Committee Meeting Day Schedule to consolidate the Committee meeting days to twice a month to be implemented after October 2023. The motion carried 5 yes (Basgal, Clippinger, Gamble, Godfrey Levy), 4 no (Carson, Rogers, Simon, Wood), and 0 abstentions.

Chair Godfrey assured the Board that every effort will be made to ensure that the proposed Pilot Committee Meeting Day Schedule works for everyone involved.

# David Nelsen, Chief Executive Officer's Report

Mr. Nelsen presented his June 15, 2023 written CEO Report which provided an update on: 1) Committee and Board Action Items; 2) Conference/Event Schedule; 3) Other Items: a) COVID-19 Responses; b) Business Planning; c) Legislation; d) Recognition; and 4) Key Performance Indicators.

Mr. Nelsen reported that ACERA has concluded its Meet and Confer with the Labor Representatives regarding ACERA's *Telework Policy* and that ACERA received positive feedback from both the Labor and County Representatives regarding the *Policy* and ACERA's *Implementation Plan*. Mr. Nelsen stated that implementation of the *Plan* is scheduled for August 2023 and that Staff will be trained on the *Plan* in July 2023.

Mr. Nelsen stated he will no longer include COVID-19 updates in his CEO Report.

Mr. Nelsen further reported on the recent cyber-attacks on several State and Federal Governmental Agencies and stated that ACERA was not impacted by the cyber-attack. Retirement Chief Technology Officer Vijay Jagar explained that the software that was impacted is called "Move It," which is software that moves files from one system to another. Mr. Nelsen stated that ACERA nor its vendors use "Move It." However, as a precaution, Staff is checking with ACERA's vendors to make sure they were not impacted.

### **CONFERENCE/ORAL REPORTS**

None.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

### **BOARD INPUT**

None.

To view the June 15, 2023 Board meeting in its entirety, click on the link below: <a href="https://youtu.be/VQcC19jR0ik">https://youtu.be/VQcC19jR0ik</a>.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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Respectfully Submitted,

07/20/23

David Nelsen
Chief Executive Officer

Date Adopted

ALVAREZ, Jose Effective: 3/31/2023 Social Services Agency

ALVAREZ, Rafael Effective: 4/1/2023 Sheriff's Office

AMARAL, Dale Effective: 4/1/2023 Sheriff's Office

ANGELO, Joseph Effective: 4/1/2023 Human Resource Services

BADUEL, Camila Effective: 4/1/2023

Sheriff's Office

BALOY, Armando Effective: 4/1/2023 Sheriff's Office

BARNES, Stephanie Effective: 3/31/2023 Social Services Agency

BILL, Karen Effective: 4/1/2023 Social Services Agency

BLACKSHIRE, Trina Effective: 3/31/2023 Superior Court

BOCK, Sharmin Effective: 4/1/2023 District Attorney

BOYOVICH, Alexander Effective: 3/31/2023 Superior Court BREINING, Paul Effective: 4/1/2023 Public Works Agency

BROWN, Jenifer Effective: 4/1/2023

Probation

BRUTON, Terri Effective: 4/1/2023 Social Services Agency

CAGE, Renee Effective: 4/1/2023 Social Services Agency

CARROLL, Queenette Effective: 3/31/2023 Social Services Agency

CHEN, Elizabeth Effective: 4/1/2023

Information Technology Department

CHEN, Kenneth Effective: 4/1/2023

Health Care Services Agency

CHUNG, Annie Effective: 4/1/2023 Social Services Agency

CLARK, Cheryl Ann Effective: 3/31/2023 Superior Court

COMBS, Elena Effective: 4/1/2023 Social Services Agency

CONTRERAS, Martha Effective: 4/1/2023

Health Care Services Agency

COOPER, Sylvina FABIANI, Claudia Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023

Social Services Agency Probation

CORNIST, Sherritta FETTY, Denise
Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 3/31/2023
Probation Public Works Agency

DE PAZ, Jaime FRENCH, Elizabeth Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023

Information Technology Department Social Services Agency

DEOL, Gurpaljit FULLER, Dzidra Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023

Zone 7 Alameda Health System

DICKENS, Elizabeth GOMES, Eric Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023

Health Care Services Agency Probation

DOOLEY, Keith GOODEN, Neisha Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 3/8/2023 Public Works Agency Alameda Health System

ENCARNACION, Angelina GREEN, Karen
Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023
Social Services Agency Social Services Agency

ESPITIA, Zoveyda GUERRERO, Gene Effective: 3/31/2023 Effective: 3/31/2023

Superior Court District Attorney

ETEMADI, Ahmad GUTTERRIEZ, Silvia Effective: 3/18/2023 Effective: 3/18/2023 Social Services Agency District Attorney

EVANS, Jonathan HAHLBECK, Ronda Effective: 3/18/2023 Effective: 3/18/2023 Social Services Agency Social Services Agency

HAITEMA, David Effective: 4/1/2023

Probation

HALIM, Leo Effective: 4/1/2023

Health Care Services Agency

HERMAN, Jerry Effective: 3/18/2023 District Attorney

HOANG, Nang Effective: 4/1/2023 Sheriff's Office

HUANG, Xiao Effective: 4/1/2023 Social Services Agency

HUNTER, Kim Effective: 4/1/2023 District Attorney

ILES, Shelly

Effective: 3/31/2023 Superior Court

JAKUB, Barbara Jean Effective: 4/1/2023

Health Care Services Agency

JUDKINS, Andrea Effective: 4/1/2023

Health Care Services Agency

JUGARAP, Reneboy Effective: 3/31/2023 Alameda Health System

KAUTZ, Molly Effective: 3/31/2023 Superior Court LANDER, Claudia Effective: 3/31/2023 General Services Agency

LINTON, Dorothy Effective: 3/31/2023 Alameda Health System

LIU, Wanda

Effective: 4/1/2023

**Human Resource Services** 

LONG, Vicki

Effective: 4/1/2023 District Attorney

LUMIBAO, Luviminda Effective: 4/1/2023

Assessor

MCRAE, Bernadette Effective: 3/28/2023 Alameda Health System

MITCHELL, Gary Effective: 4/1/2023 Sheriff's Office

NEIDEFFER, Martin Effective: 4/1/2023 Sheriff's Office

NEWMAN, Rhonda Effective: 4/1/2023

**Human Resource Services** 

PARHAM, Steven Effective: 4/13/2023 Sheriff's Office

PATEL, Mridula Effective: 4/1/2023 Social Services Agency

PEDREGON, Luis SAN AGUSTIN, Bernadette

Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023 Sheriff's Office Alameda Health System

PETERS-JENKINS, Denise SANCHEZ, Derek Effective: 3/31/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023 Public Works Agency Sheriff's Office

PLOURDE, Lisa SANCHEZ, Elizabeth Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023 Community Development Agency Sheriff's Office

PORAL, Lucila SEPT, Linda
Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023
Child Support Services Alameda Health System

POWELL, Roxann
Effective: 4/1/2023
Treasurer-Tax Collector

SHIA, Jing Jing
Effective: 4/1/2023
District Attorney

PRATER, Dean SILVA, Ernest Effective: 4/1/2022 Effective: 4/1/2023 Superior Court Sheriff's Office

RADFORD, Nicole SLONE, Anita Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023 Social Services Agency Social Services Agency

RICHARDSON, Jachu SMITH, Lorenzo Effective: 3/31/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023 Probation Public Works Agency

ROLLAND, Theresa SMITH, Vicella Effective: 3/10/2018 Effective: 4/1/2023 Probation Sheriff's Office

ST. DENIS, Derek
Effective: 4/1/2023
Sheriff's Office
SOLOMON-CASTRO, Amor
Effective: 4/1/2023
Health Care Services Agency

STEWARD, Celeste TRAN, Lien

Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023 Library Social Services Agency

STEWART, Denise TRINIDAD, Cynthia Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 3/31/2023 General Services Agency Superior Court

SULLIVAN, Rochelle TUAZON, Noel
Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023
Social Services Agency Social Services Agency

TANGRI, Ashok VALDERRAMA, Arthur Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023 Health Care Services Agency Public Works Agency

TAPES, James VANWEERDHUIZEN, Lester Effective: 3/4/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023

General Services Agency General Services Agency

TAYLOR, Margaret VILLA, Roland Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023 Information Technology Department Probation

TECH, Virginia WANG, Jian
Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023
Alameda Health System Health Care Services Agency

TORRES, Ferdinand WANG, Teresa
Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023
Alameda Health System Information Technology Department

TORRES, Marie Gloria WICKSON, Susan Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 3/30/2023 Social Services Agency Assessor

TOVAR, Nora WILLIAMS, Sandra Effective: 4/1/2023 Effective: 4/1/2023 Social Services Agency Sheriff's Office

ZHANG, Jinrong Effective: 4/1/2023

Health Care Services Agency

# APPENDIX B LIST OF DEFERRED RETIREMENTS

ALVAREZ, Marguerite L.

Social Services Agency

Effective Date: 2/24/2023

LEONARD, Jessica J.

District Attorney

Effective: 2/22/2023

ANDERSON, Christy

Social Services Agency

Effective: 4/28/2023

LEWIS, Marina A.

District Attorney

Effective: 2/28/2023

AVILA, Eddy LOVE, Shayanna S. Superior Court Probation

Effective: 2/17/2023 Effective: 2/24/2023

BALRAM, Neetu C. MCLAVERTY-CAINA, Marie

Health Care Services Agency First 5

Effective: 2/28/2023 Effective: 2/15/2023

CUENCO, Edwin RIECHERS, Jason P. Superior Court District Attorney Effective: 3/24/2023 Effective: 2/3/2023

FRITZ, Annie A. SHUKLA, Sameer Social Services Agency District Attorney Effective: 3/3/2023 Effective: 3/24/2023

GAGLIOTI, Natalie R. WILSON, Markendra

Superior Court Sheriff's Office

Effective: 2/17/2023 Effective: 5/10/2023

# APPENDIX C LIST OF DECEASED MEMBERS

AGNEW, Donna BURGASSER, Christian

Social Services Agency Superior Court 5/6/2023 5/19/2023

AVERY, Tim CHAN, Annie

Probation Non-Mbr Survivor of Henry Chan

5/6/2023 4/24/2023

BROWN, Constance EVANS, Carolyn

General Services Agency Social Services Agency

5/16/2023 3/29/2023

# APPENDIX C LIST OF DECEASED MEMBERS

FAIN, Beth

Behavioral Health Care Services

5/7/2023

FIXEL, Mark

Sheriff's Office 5/5/2023

FONG, Annie

**Board of Supervisors** 

5/13/2023

GABRIEL, Geraldine

Alameda Health System

4/19/2023

GAINES, Betty

Alameda Health System

5/19/2023

HARVEST, Walter

Public Works Agency

5/10/2023

HEATHCO, Patricia

Alameda Health System

5/14/2023

KENNISON, Mark

**District Attorney** 

4/18/2023

KIMZEY, James

**District Attorney** 

5/2/2023

LEE-FRISON, Pamela

Probation

5/8/2023

LOVE, Willie Public Defender

5/7/2023

MEINS, Rita

Social Services Agency

4/28/2023

METZER, John

Sheriff's Office

5/8/2023

MOLANO, Alice

Alameda Health System

4/23/2023

PARRA, Ereser

Superior Court

4/24/2023

RABAGO, Ferdinand

Health Care Services Agency

4/25/2023

ROBIN, Dorothy

Non-Mbr Survivor of Richard Robin

5/22/2023

STEWART, Elex

General Services Agency

4/28/2023

STROWDER, Melvin

Auditor-Controller

5/15/2023

VICENTE, Yolanda

Alameda Health System

4/19/2023