

ALAMEDA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD OF RETIREMENT MINUTES

Thursday, November 8, 2012

Chair George Dewey called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

Trustees Present:	Dale Amaral Ophelia Basgal Annette Cain-Darnes Keith Carson George Dewey Elizabeth Rogers Donald White David Safer (<i>Alternate</i>) Darryl Walker (<i>Alternate</i>)
Trustees Excused:	Liz Koppenhaver George Wood
Staff Present:	Victoria Arruda, Human Resources Officer Vincent Brown, Chief Executive Officer Robert Gaumer, Chief Counsel Harsh Jadhav, Internal Auditor Rose Kwong, Benefits Manager Martha Richardson, Executive Secretary Betty Tse, Chief Investment Officer Latrena Walker, Project and Information Services Manager
Staff Excused:	Kathy Foster, Assistant Chief Executive Officer Catherine Walker, Assistant Chief Executive Officer

<u>12-115</u>

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 18, 2012 were accepted on a motion by Elizabeth Rogers, seconded by Dale Amaral and approved by a vote of 6 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

CONSENT CALENDAR REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

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REQUESTS FOR 130 BI-WEEKLY PAYMENTS TO RE-DEPOSIT CONTRIBUTIONS AND GAIN CREDIT

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APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT – HEARING OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

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DISABILITIES STATUS REPORT

APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

None

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers, seconded by Keith Carson and approved by a vote of 5 yes, (Amaral recused), 0 no, 0 abstentions, that the following resolution is adopted:

<u>12-116</u>

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

<u>REGULAR CALENDAR – REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS</u> <u>DISABILITIES, CURRENT AND CONTINUING RECOMMENDATIONS AND</u> <u>MOTIONS</u>

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND MOTIONS

Note: Per Committee Chairs, copies of the Committee meeting minutes were available for attendees. All October Committee meeting minutes are posted on the ACERA website (<u>www.acera.org</u>) after approval at the November 8, 2012 Board meeting. This month's Committee reports were presented in the following order:

Operations:

Elizabeth Rogers reported that the Operations Committee met on November 7, 2012 at 9:01 a.m., and highlighted the following:

Vince Brown, Chief Executive Officer, presented the draft 2013 Operating Expense Budget.

<u>12-117</u>

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Dale Amaral that the Board approve the 2013 Operating Expense Budget of \$18,436,000 and the Pension Reform Implementation Contingency Fund of \$148,000. The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Robert Gaumer, Chief Counsel, discussed the current approach to calculating member contribution rates and Staff's recommendation to use a single rate for new tiers that are effective January 1, 2013 for New Members, as a result of the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act (PEPRA – AB 340). Staff's recommendation is based on the advice of ACERA's actuary, as well as the efficiency and clarity that a flat rate approach provides for the calculation of contribution rates for New Members.

<u>12-118</u>

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Annette Cain-Darnes that the Board adopt CERL code § 31621.11 (for non-safety members) and § 31639.26 (for safety members) for calculation of single rate of contributions for New Members. The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Robert Gaumer discussed the annual review and Staff's recommendation regarding the Travel Policy. In addition, the Chair directed Staff to follow-up on Staff's travel reporting, additional changes to the Board Travel Policy and Education Policy, and the Chair's signature for the CEO's travel reimbursement documents.

<u>12-119</u>

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Annette Cain-Darnes that the Board renew the Travel Policy with the amendments recommended by Staff and the changes suggested by the Committee during the discussions. The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Chief Counsel Robert Gaumer recommended that elected active member ACERA Trustees Elizabeth Rogers and Dale Amaral recite the attached disclosure statements and recused themselves from discussions and Board actions related to the Voluntary Elected Member Employer Reimbursement Policy. After Ms. Rogers and Captain Amaral read and signed their disclosure statements, they left the Board Room. Mr. Gaumer then discussed the annual review and Staff's recommendation regarding the Voluntary Elected Member Employer Reimbursement Policy.

At the Board meeting ACERA Trustees Elizabeth Rogers, Dale Amaral, and Darryl Walker recited attached disclosure statements and recused themselves from the discussions and actions related to the Voluntary Elected Member Reimbursement Policy. Ophelia Basgal reported on this action item.

<u>12-120</u>

It was moved by Ophelia Basgal and seconded by David Safer that the Board renew the Voluntary Elected Member Employer Reimbursement Policy, without revisions. The motion carried 6 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions, (*Amaral, Rogers and Walker recused*).

<u>12-121</u>

It was moved by Ophelia Basgal and seconded by David Safer that the Board continue the voluntary elected member employer reimbursement for 2013. The motion carried 6 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions, (*Amaral, Rogers and Walker recused*).

Elizabeth Rogers resumed discussion of information items.

Vince Brown presented the quarterly financial statements as of September 30, 2012. For the period ending September 30, 2012 net assets held in trust for pension benefits total \$5,565,656,539.

Vince Brown presented the year-to-date operating expenses – budget vs actual. As of September 30, 2012 actual expenses are under budget \$511,515.

Vince Brown presented the Board Member Conference Attendance Report ending September 30, 2012.

Latrena Walker, Project and Information Services Manager, reported that the September 28, 2012 Business Continuity exercise was successful.

Robert Gaumer gave the Committee an oral update regarding the implementation of pension reform.

Robert Gaumer provided the Committee with an update on the legislation of interest to ACERA.

Sharen Stanek-Lowe, Assistant Benefits Manager, presented the 3rd Qtr. Call Center report.

<u>12-122</u>

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Ophelia Basgal that the Board approve the November 7, 2012 Operations Committee minutes. The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

The Board raised questions regarding GASB Statement 27 reporting requirements with respect to the adoption of the single rate of contributions for new members and possible impact on employer. Staff will request clarification from The Segal Company about this issue.

Investment:

Annette Cain-Darnes noted that the Investment Committee met on November 8, 2012 at 9:11 a.m., and highlighted the following:

Robert Gaumer presented the Amended ACERA Placement Agent Disclosure Policy for review and consideration.

<u>12-123</u>

It was moved by Annette Cain Darnes and seconded by Keith Carson that the Board adopt the Amended ACERA Placement Agent Disclosure Policy. The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Information Items included:

- Report on ACERA's PEARLS Investment Debt-Related/Special Situations
- Review of Loomis, Sayles & Company
- Review of Mellon Capital Management

<u>12-124</u>

It was moved by Annette Cain-Darnes and seconded by Elizabeth Rogers that the Board approve the November 8, 2012 Investment Committee minutes. The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

NEW BUSINESS

Pension Reform Update

Vince Brown and Robert Gaumer presented an oral update about the Pension Reform Legislation. Gaumer summarized ACERA's timeline for sharing information about the analysis of the pay codes.

Information regarding the schedule will be posted on the ACERA website at <u>www.acera.org</u>.

<u>Discussion and Motion to Select ACERA Voting Delegate at SACRS Fall Meeting and</u> <u>Direct Delegate regarding Approval of SACRS Legislative Proposals</u>

The Board took the following actions on Staff recommendations regarding the SACRS Fall meeting.

<u>12-125</u>

It was moved by Elizabeth Rogers and seconded by Dale Amaral that the Board designate Vincent P. Brown, CEO, as ACERA's voting delegate and direct him to approve the receipt and filing of the Treasurer's Report, Audit Committee Report, and minutes from the May SACRS Business Meeting. The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

<u>12-126</u>

It was moved by Ophelia Basgal and seconded by Annette Cain-Darnes that the Board direct its voting delegate to vote in favor of the Legislative Proposal regarding Los Angeles County Employees' Retirement Association (LACERA) #1 – Provided an amendment was included that mandated all phone calls be recorded, otherwise the voting delegate was directed to oppose LACERA #1. The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

<u>12-127</u>

It was moved by Ophelia Basgal and seconded by Elizabeth Rogers that the Board direct its voting delegate to oppose SACRS' sponsorship of the Legislative Proposal regarding LACERA – Disclosure of Real Estate Investments. The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

<u>12-128</u>

It was moved by Ophelia Basgal and seconded by Annette Cain-Darnes that the Board direct its voting delegate to approve SACRS' sponsorship of the Legislative Proposal regarding San Joaquin County Employees' Retirement Association (SJCERA) – Alternative Investment and Public Disclosure (Issue #1). The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

<u>12-129</u>

It was moved by Ophelia Basgal and seconded by David Safer that the Board direct its voting delegate to approve SACRS' sponsorship of the Legislative Proposal regarding San Joaquin County Employees' Retirement Association (SJCERA) – Alternative Investment and Public Disclosure (Issue #2). The motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

Vince Brown, Chief Executive Officer Report

The CEO reported on the following items:

- 2012 Board Offsite
- Joint County Board of Supervisors and ACERA Board Meeting
- Staff Communications
- Attendance at SACRS Fall Conference

BOARD/PUBLIC INPUT

Pete Albert announced the ACRE Fall Luncheon at Hs Lordship's on November 29. David Safer gave kudos to the award-winning movie "Waiting Room" that features Highland Hospital Emergency Room.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEXT MEETING

Thursday, December 20, 2012 at 2 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board convened into Closed Executive Session regarding:

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision Government Code §54956.9(b) (1 case)

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 to discuss: Chief Executive Officer Performance Evaluation

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION TO ANNOUNCE ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board reported no action on the above-mentioned items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vincent P. Brown Chief Executive Officer Date Adopted

APPENDIX A APPLICATION FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT

CUBLEY, Anne L. Effective: 6/2/2012 Health Care Services Agency

FUNG, Sook L Effective: 8/4/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

GARFIELD, Nimfa A. Effective: 7/28/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

GARNIER, Laurie E. Effective: 3/31/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

KNOX, James E. Effective: 6/30/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

LIVINGS, Cynthia D. Effective: 7/3/2012 Auditor - Controller LOWE-THOMAS, Althea R. Effective: 6/30/2012 Superior Court - DEF

PIGG, Arthur Effective: 4/1/2010 Probation

PORTER, Johnny P. Effective: 8/4/2012 Superior Court

POTTER, Jane M. Effective: 3/31/2012 Public Health

STORIN, James C. Effective: 9/1/2012 General Services Agency - DEF

SZYMKIEWICZ, Eva Effective: 8/4/2012 Treasurer - Tax Collector

APPENDIX B APPLICATION FOR DEFERRED RETIREMENT

BIANCO, Frank Sheriff's Office Effective: 01/09/09

COX, John Collier District Attorney Effective: 06/27/05

DEREZIN, Lisa Social Services Agency Effective: 11/19/05

SCHRADER, Carol Alameda County Medical Center Effective: 03/11/05

APPENDIX B-1 APPLICATION FOR NON-VESTED DEFERRED

CONWRIGHT, Craig D. Risk Management Effective: 06/17/05

BRENTS, Lekisha L. Public Health Effective: 03/13/06

DAVIS, Janella S. Behavioral Health Care Services Effective: 02/24/09

SIUFUA, Tauasosi K. Social Services Agency Effective: 09/22/07

APPENDIX D LIST OF DECEASED MEMBERS

ANATALIO, Benjamin G. 10/2/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

CARLOS, Manuel 10/16/2012 Auditor-Controller

CROSS, Brian 9/29/2012 Health Care Services Agency

DANIELSON, William F. 9/30/2012 County Administration

DOLIM, Abel 10/18/2012 Survivor of Mary N. Dolim

EDWARDS, Ray W. 9/24/2012 Behavioral Health Care Services

FOREMAN M.D., Nadine 10/1/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

GARCIA, Ramon 10/13/2012 Social Services Agency GROVE, Troy 10/2/2012 Survivor of Magdalene A. Grove

HAUSER, Helen 10/20/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

JACKSON, Rubye 10/7/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

LEDFORD, Darrell 10/27/2012 Livermore Area Recreation & Park District

LEGGETT, Erma L 10/1/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

LILLY, Paul A. 10/17/2012 Alameda County Medica Center - DEF

NETHERCOTT, Phyllis M. 11/10/2011 Survivor of Kieth N. Nethercott

O'NEILL, Margaret M. 10/16/2012 Survivor of James E. O'Neill

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PRATT, Leslie G. 10/16/2012 Behavioral Health Care Services

RAKESTRAW, Edgar M. 4/27/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

REED, W G 9/26/2012 Public Works Agency

REEL, Claudine N. 9/29/2012 Superior Court

RICHARDSON, Jeanette L. 10/1/2012 Survivor of Stuart E. Richardson ROBINSON, Mildred 10/26/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

ROGERS, Ruth M. 10/18/2010 Library - DEF

STASHIK, Lucille A. 9/12/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

TYLER, Frank 10/22/2012 Probation

WEINBERG, Julian 9/20/2012 Alameda County Medical Center

APPENDIX F APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT

Name: Baca, Elvira Type of Claim: Annual Review for SCD (Granted on 10/20/2011)

Staff's Recommendation:

Approve the recommendation contained in Dr. Wagner's report, to continue the allowance for service connected disability and to not require future annual medical examinations and questionnaires.