

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

300 N. LAKE AVENUE, SUITE 810, PASADENA, CA

9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018

PRESENT: Vivian H. Gray, Chair
Herman Santos, Vice Chair
Marvin Adams, Secretary
JP Harris (Alternate Retired)
Shawn R. Kehoe
Joseph Kelly (Left the meeting at 1:46 p.m.)
Thomas Walsh
Gina Zapanta-Murphy

ABSENT: Alan Bernstein
William Pryor (Alternate Member)
Les Robbins

STAFF ADVISORS AND PARTICIPANTS

Robert R. Hill, Interim Chief Executive Officer
Steven P. Rice, Chief Counsel
Francis J. Boyd, Senior Staff Counsel
Ricki Contreras, Division Manager
Disability Retirement Services
Tamara Caldwell, Specialist Supervisor
Disability Retirement Services

STAFF ADVISORS AND PARTICIPANTS

William T. Banks II, Member

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Gray at 1:22 p.m., in the Board Room of Gateway Plaza.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was said by Board and staff at the prior meeting of the joint Board of Retirement and Board of Investments meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 17, 2018

Mr. Adams made a motion, Mr. Harris seconded, to approve the minutes of the special meeting of July 17, 2018. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Banks addressed the Board regarding his disability case.

V. CONSENT ITEMS

Mr. Kehoe made a motion, Mr. Kelly seconded, to approve the following agenda items. The motion passed unanimously.

A. Ratification of Service Retirement and Survivor Benefit Application Approvals.

B. Request for an administrative hearing before a referee for applicant Marcus Friedemann. (Memo dated July 19, 2018)

VI. DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATIONS ON CONSENT CALENDAR

Safety Law Enforcement

Service-Connected Disability Applications

On a motion by Mr. Kehoe, seconded by Mr. Adams, the Board of Retirement approved a service-connected disability retirement for the following named employees who were found to be disabled for the performance of their duties and have met the burden of proof:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>
861C	EDDIE F. BROWN, JR.
862C	THOMAS D. SIMPSON
863C*	JAMES D. COPPLIN
864C	JOHN F. FORMIA
865C*	RODERICK A. KUSCH
866C	MICHAEL A. CHACON
867C**	KENNETH C. YANECKO
868C	GUILLERMINA M. SALDANA
869C	JOSE A. BELMARES
870C	GARY B. CHARLTON

* Granted SCD – Employer Cannot Accommodate

** Granted SCD – Retroactive

VI. DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATIONS ON CONSENT CALENDAR
(Continued)

Safety Fire, Lifeguards
Service-Connected Disability Applications

On a motion by Mr. Kehoe, seconded by Mr. Adams, the Board of Retirement approved a service-connected disability retirement for the following named employees who were found to be disabled for the performance of their duties and have met the burden of proof:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>
1000B	MARK H. STUBBINS
1001B	JEROME K. CLARK
1002B	ROBERT A. HOOK
1003B	ANTONIO R. FELIPE
1004B	RONALD A. HAYES
1005B	BENJAMIN L. CAMPOS
1006B	IAN S. GOOD
1007B	ROBERT CENDEJAS
1008B	JOSEPH L. WOYJECK

VI. DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATIONS ON CONSENT CALENDAR
(Continued)

General Members

Service-Connected Disability Applications

On a motion by Mr. Santos, seconded by Mr. Harris, the Board of Retirement approved a service-connected disability retirement for the following named employees who were found to be disabled for the performance of their duties and have met the burden of proof:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>
2862B*	CELIA A. SHAPPE (Dec'd)
2863B	DEBRA E. SHEA
2864B**	BRENDA F. STEVENS
2865B***	ELIZABETH W. MSHILA-METHU
2866B	MONALISA APARICIO-CADENA
2867B****	FLORA M. CULVER
2868B**	DEBRA SEWELL
2869B	ARTURO R. GASPAR, JR.
2870B*****	LESTER J. WHITE

* Granted SCD – Survivor Benefit

** Granted SCD – Employer Cannot Accommodate

*** Granted SCD – Retroactive

**** Granted SCD – Retroactive Since Employer Cannot Accommodate

***** Granted SCD – Salary Supplemental

VI. DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATIONS ON CONSENT CALENDAR

General Members (Continued)
Service-Connected Disability Applications

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>
2871B	ANTONIO CASTRO-VERA
2872B	OLESYA P. VILLA

General Members
Non-Service-Connected Disability Applications

On a motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Harris, the Board of Retirement approved a nonservice-connected disability retirement for the following named employees who were found to be disabled for the performance of their duties and have met the burden of proof:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>
4375	ROBERT M. SCHINDLER

VII. REPORTS

(Mr. Kelly left the meeting at 1:46 p.m.)
(Mr. Kehoe left the Boardroom at 1:46 p.m.)

The following report was received and filed.

- A. For Information Only as submitted by Ricki Contreras, Division Manager, Disability Retirement Services, regarding the Application Processing Time Snapshot Reports. (Memo dated July 18, 2018)

VIII. REPORT ON STAFF ACTION ITEMS

There was nothing to report.

IX. GOOD OF THE ORDER
(For information purposes only)

There was nothing to report during Good of the Order.

X. DISABILITY RETIREMENT CASES TO BE HELD IN CLOSED SESSION

A. Applications for Disability

APPLICATION NO. & NAME

BOARD ACTION

5023B – LORENA P. ALANIS

(Mr. Kehoe returned to the Boardroom at 1:54 p.m.)

Ms. Gray made a motion, Mr. Harris seconded, to deny a service-connected disability since the employer can accommodate. The motion passed unanimously.

5024B – DANIEL M. DELRIO

Mr. Harris made a motion, Mr. Walsh seconded, to deny a service-connected disability retirement without prejudice. The motion passed with Messrs. Santos and Adams voting no.

5025B – ERIC R. FRANCO*

Mr. Harris made a motion, Mr. Franco seconded, to grant a nonservice-connected disability retirement pursuant to Government Code Section 31720. The motion passed unanimously.

5026B – WILLIAM T. BANKS, II*

(This item was held out of order, after Item VI.)

Ms. Gray made a motion, Mr. Santos seconded to grant a service-connected disability retirement. The motion passed unanimously.

* Applicant Present

X. DISABILITY RETIREMENT CASES TO BE HELD IN CLOSED SESSION

A. Applications for Disability (Continued)

APPLICATION NO. & NAME

BOARD ACTION

5027B – GEORGINA AREVALO

Mr. Harris made a motion, Ms. Gray seconded to grant a service-connected disability retirement, which was confirmed by the medical advisor.

Mr. Kehoe made a substitute motion, Mr. Harris seconded, to grant a retroactive service-connected disability retirement, which was confirmed by the medical advisor. The motion passed unanimously.

5008B – THERESA A. WORLEY

Mr. Harris made a motion, Ms. Gray seconded, to grant a service-connected disability retirement pursuant to Government Code Sections 31720 and 31724. The motion passed unanimously.

5012B – GORDON L. MEHEULA

Mr. Kehoe made a motion, Mr. Harris seconded, to grant a nonservice-connected disability retirement pursuant to Government Code Section 31720. The motion passed unanimously.

X. DISABILITY RETIREMENT CASES TO BE HELD IN CLOSED SESSION
(Continued)

B. Referee Reports

APPLICATION NO. & NAME

BOARD ACTION

GARY P. GROSS (Dec'd) – Thomas Wicke for the applicant
Eugenia W. Der for the respondent

Mr. Harris made a motion, Mr. Adams seconded, to grant a service-connected disability retirement survivor benefit. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Staff Recommendations

1. Recommendation as submitted by Ricki Contreras, Division Manager, Disability Retirement Services: That the Board instruct staff to close Epifania Mila S. Goyena's application for disability retirement. (Memo dated July 16, 2018)

Mr. Kehoe made a motion, Mr. Harris seconded, to approve the agenda item. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Recommendation as submitted by Ricki Contreras, Division Manager, Disability Retirement Services: That the Board approve the referee invoice for \$3,760. (Memo dated July 18, 2018)

Mr. Harris made a motion, Mr. Adams seconded, to approve the agenda item. The motion passed unanimously.

3. For Information Only as submitted by Ricki Contreras, Division Manager, Disability Retirement Services, regarding the 2018 Quarterly Reports of Paid Invoices for the 2nd Quarter – April 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018. (Memo dated July 18, 2018)

This item was received and filed.

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XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

Green Folder Information (Information distributed in each Board Member's Green Folder at the beginning of the meeting)

1. Retirement Board Listing dated August 1, 2018

MARVIN ADAMS, SECRETARY

VIVIAN H. GRAY, CHAIR