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BOARD OF RETIREMENT MINUTES

June 8, 2011

Members Present: Maria De Anda, Jim De Martini, Darin Gharat, Jeff Grover, Mike Lynch, Ron Martin, Jegan Raja*, and Clarence Willmon

*Mr. Raja represents ex-officio Mr. Gordon Ford, Treasurer-Tax Collector

Members Absent: *Gordon Ford*

Alternate Member Present: Linda Stotts-Burnett (Alternate Retiree Representative)

Staff Present: Tom Watson, Retirement Administrator
Kelly Cerny Executive Secretary
Michele Silva, Benefits Manager
Joyce Parker, IT Coordinator

Others Present: Fred Silva, General Legal Counsel
Doris Foster, Chief Executive Office
Rhonda Biesemeier, President, Retired Employees of Stanislaus County (RESCO)
Joan Clendenin, Alternate Retiree Representative-Elect

1. Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Mike Lynch, Chair

2. **Roll Call**

3. **Announcements**

None.

4. **Public Comment**

None.

5. **Consent Items**

Motion was made by Linda Stotts-Burnett and seconded by Maria De Anda to approve the following items as listed and presented.

M. Lynch abstained on Item #5b.

Motion carried.

- a. Approval of the May 24, 2011, Administrative/Investment Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of Service Retirement(s) – **Sections 31499.14, 31670, 31662.2 & 31810**
 1. Antonio Belarmino, HSA, Effective 06-25-11
 2. Rita Blundo, Sheriff, Effective 06-04-11
 3. Joan Donlon, HSA, Effective 06-23-11
 4. Thomas Douglas, StanCog, Effective 06-10-11
 5. Lynette Gayles, Probation, Effective 06-04-11
 6. Linda Griffin, Assessor, Effective 06-25-11
 7. Brian Mayben, Assessor, Effective 06-04-11
 8. Carole McNulty, Regional 911, Effective 06-16-11
 9. Kristi Terry, Assessor, Effective 06-04-11
- c. Approval of Deferred Retirement(s) – **Section 31700**
 1. Shawn Bessey, District Attorney, Effective 01-01-11
- d. Approval of Disability Retirement – **Section 31724**
 1. Erik Neuman, Sheriff, Service-Connected, Effective 07-01-11

6. **Administrator**

- a. Discussion and Action on Terminating the SML Insurance Agreement

Ms. Biesemeier addressed the Board with information that RESCO, SML Insurance, and StanCERA staff are working through transition details, and that the Board's vote today on this matter would not hinder the transition. Mr. Gharat inquired if there was a formal written response from RESCO, other than the mention of a RESCO Health Insurance Committee. Ms. Biesemeier stated that written recommendations both from RESCO and SML Insurance had been submitted to StanCERA staff.

Motion was made by Darin Gharat and seconded by Jegan Raja to approve the termination of the SML Insurance Agreement effective July 31, 2011, and to approve StanCERA staff to continue: (1) involvement by taking retiree health insurance premium deductions on the retiree payroll pursuant to Government Code Section 31452.5; (2) continue to reserve meeting rooms as needed for SML Insurance to enroll and counsel retirees about health insurance; and, (3) continue to refer all health insurance matters directly to SML Insurance to handle.

Motion carried.

8. **Closed Session**

No Closed Session.

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation and/or Anticipated Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Subdivision (c) of section 54956.9(b)(1):
One Matter

9. **Members' Forum (Information and Future Agenda Requests Only)**

Mr. Lynch inquired if StanCERA ever places any kind of inserts with the retiree payroll checks. Mr. Watson responded that inserts asking for election workers during election years have been placed with retirees' paychecks, but nothing other than that.

Ms. Stotts-Burnett introduced her replacement for Seat #8a, the Alternate Retiree Representative, Ms. Joan Clendenin, effective July 1, 2011.

10. **Adjournment**

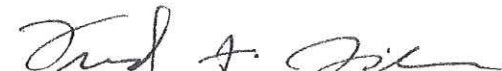
Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tom Watson, Retirement Administrator

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
FRED A. SILVA, GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL



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