## Stanislaus County Employees' Retirement Association



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# BOARD OF RETIREMENT MINUTES April 25, 2017

#### Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order 1:30 p.m. by Trustee Gharat, Chair

2. Roll Call

Trustees Present: Donna Riley Jim DeMartini, Michael O'Neal, Jeff Grover, Mandip Dhillon,

Sam Sharpe, Mike Lynch, Darin Gharat and Jegan Raja for Gordon Ford

Trustees Absent: Gordon Ford

**Alternate Trustee** 

**Absent** Joan Clendenin, Alternate Retiree Representative

**Staff Present:** Rick Santos, Executive Director

Kellie Gomes, Executive Board Assistant Kathy Herman, Fiscal Services Manager

Dawn Lea, Member and Employer Services Manager

Others Present: Fred Silva, General Legal Counsel

Ed Hoffman, Investment Consultant

3. Announcements

NONE

4. Public Comment

NONE

## 5. Consent Items

- a. Approval of the March 28, 2017 Meeting Minutes
- b. Monthly Staff Report
- c. Executive Director Goals Update Quarter 1 2017
- d. StanCERA Complaint Log of January 1 March 31, 2017
- e. Legal/Legislation Update
- f . Approval of Service Retirement(s) Sections 31499.14, 31670, 31662.2 & 31810
  - 1. Bazar, Timothy Public Defender Effective 03-18-17
  - 2. O'Neal, Carla Alliance Worknet Effective 02-03-17
  - 3. Solis, Mario Auditor Controller Effective 04-06-17
  - 4. Stahley, Paula HSA Effective 04-22-17
  - 5. Sutherland, Priscilla Superior Court Effective 04-29-17
  - 6. Trujillo, Jacqueline CSA Effective 04-18-17
- g. Approval of Deferred Retirement(s) Section 31700
  - Barnett, Andrea BHRS Effective 02-17-17
  - 2. Baliel, Michael SBT Effective 01-07-17
  - 3. Brock, Tamara BHRS Effective 02-18-17
  - Croom, Katherine CSA– Effective 03-04-17
  - 5. Gintz, Erin CSA Effective 01-07-17
  - 6. Gali, Melori HSA Effective 01-13-17
  - 7. Henderson, Candace Alliance Worknet Effective 03-03-17
  - 8. Martinez, Maria HSA Effective 03-15-17

## 5. Consent Items(Cont.)

- 9. Pedisich, Sara Probation Effective 07-09-16 \*
- 10. Quiroz, Carlos Ceres Effective 12-23-16 \*
- 11. Schemmel, Ross Assessor Effective 3-24-17
- 12. Valentine, Regina StanCOG Effective 07-14-16
- 13. Watson, Pamela GSA Effective 12-30-16

Motion was made by Trustee Grover and seconded by Trustee Riley to accept the consent items as presented with a request to amend the March 28, 2017 minutes to reflect that Trustee O'Neal and Trustee Clendenin recused themselves during closed session regarding matter 10.b and returned after the matter was discussed.

Motion carried unanimously

#### 6. <u>Executive Director – Investment</u>

a. Discussion and Action Regarding Annual Meetings

Motion was made by Trustee Lynch and seconded by Trustee O'Neal to accept staff's recommendation to eliminate the annual manager performance reviews with the Board of Retirement and instead only require formal manager visits and discussions if the Board, StanCERA's Investment Consultant or StanCERA's staff deem it necessary.

Motion carried unanimously

b. Discussion and Action Regarding Raven Fund I

Item was heard and tabled for the May 23, 2017 meeting when it will be brought back for a presentation by Raven - Josh Green

c. Discussion and Action Regarding Insight Investment

Motion was made by Trustee Riley and seconded by Trustee Sharpe to confirm the decision to allocate \$100 million to a custom portfolio managed by Insight Investment as directed previously on January 24, 2017.

Motion passed 5 to 4 with the following roll call vote:

Trustee Riley	Υ
Trustee DeMartini	Ν
Trustee O'Neal	Υ
Trustee Grover	Υ
Trustee Dhillion	Υ
Trustee Lynch	Ν
Trustee Gharat	Ν
Trustee Raja	Ν
Trustee Sharpe	Υ

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates Safety Personnel

## 7. Verus - Investment Consultant

- a. Flash Report March 31, 2017
- b. Discussion and Action Regarding Asset Allocation

Motion was made by Trustee Grover and seconded by Trustee Riley to accept the recommendation by Verus to adopt the alternative mix outlined in the presentation.

Motion carried unanimously

c. 12-Month Investment Program Workplan

#### 8. <u>Executive Director – Administrative</u>

- a. SACRS Board of Director's Outreach Program
- b. Discussion and Action for Voting Proxy of State Association of County Retirement Systems (SACRS) 2017 Spring Business Meeting

Kellie Gomes asked for 2 volunteers to attend the SACRS 2016 Business meeting as voting proxies. Trustee O'Neal volunteered to be the primary proxy and Trustee Gharat the alternate proxy.

Motion was made by Trustee Lynch and seconded by Trustee Raja to accept the SACRS recommended slate.

Motion carried unanimously with Trustee DeMartini and Trustee O'Neal abstaining

c. Information Technology Solutions (ITS) Project Update

Dawn Lea shared that we have received 2 notices of resignations. Reed Love, StanCERA's IT employee, will be leaving County employment and Aslam Ahmed, the onsite consultant employed by Tegret will be leaving his employment with Tegret.

#### 9. Closed Session

Motion was made by Trustee Sharpe and seconded by Trustee O'Neal to move in to closed session at 3:40 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

Item 9.d was heard out of order Trustee O'Neal recused himself at 3:40 p.m. and Returned to closed session at 3:52 p.m.

- a. Discussion and Action Regarding Recommendation for Service Connected Disability Retirement for Jacqueline Trujillo Government Code Section 31533
- b. Discussion and Action Regarding Bank of New York Mellon Disposition –Government Code Section 54956.81
- Discussion and Action Regarding Public Equity Restructuring Review and Manager Disposition Government Code Section 54956.81

## 9. Closed Session (Cont.)

- d. Conference with Legal Counsel Pending Litigation One Case:
   O'Neal et al v. Stanislaus County Employees' Retirement Association
   Stanislaus County Superior Court Case No. 648469
   Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
- e. Conference with Legal Counsel Pending Litigation One Case: Stanislaus County Employees' Retirement Association v. Buck Consultants, LLC, Mediation Pursuant to Evidence Code Sections 1115, 1119, 1152 Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)

Motion was made by Trustee Raja and seconded by Trustee Dhillon to move in to open session at 4:30 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

Read out from closed session by Chair Trustee Gharat is as follows:

Item 9.a. heard out of order to discussion and action regarding recommendation for Service Connected Disability Retirement for Jacqueline Trujillo. Motion was made by Trustee Grover and seconded by Trustee Dhillion to accept the recommendation of the Hearing Officer to deny the application for a Service Connected Disability Retirement.

Motion carried unanimously

## 10. Members' Forum (Information and Future Agenda Requests Only)

Kellie Gomes announced that the terms of three trustee seats will be ending as of June 30, 2017. A notice of election will go out soon to reflect election for General Member Seats No. 2 and No. 3 and Retiree Seat No. 8 and Alternate Retiree Seat No. 8a.

#### 11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Santos, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Fred Silva, GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL

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