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## BOARD OF RETIREMENT MINUTES

September 9, 2015

**Trustees Present**: Jim DeMartini, Michael O'Neal, Jeff Grover, Jason Gordo, Donna Riley,

Sam Sharpe and Jegan Raja for Gordon Ford

Alternate Trustee Absent Joan Clendenin, Alternate Retiree Representative

Trustees Absent: Maria DeAnda, Mike Lynch and Gordon Ford

Staff Present: Rick Santos, Executive Director

Dawn Lea, Benefits Manager

Kellie Gomes, Executive Board Secretary

Others Present: Fred Silva, General Legal Counsel

1. Meeting Called to Order

Meeting called to order 2:03 p.m. by Trustee Riley, Vice Chair

2. Roll Call

3. Announcements

Trustee Sharpe asked to have item 5.d.1 removed from consent so that he can recuse himself from the vote on that particular item.

4. Public Comment

None

## 5. Consent Items

- a. Approval of the August 25, 2015 Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of Service Retirement(s) Sections 31499.14, 31670, 31662.2 & 31810
  - 1. Borges, John City of Ceres– Effective 09-15-2015
  - 2. Francis, Sharon CSA Effective 08-29-2015
  - 3. Gray, Jessica CSA Effective 09-19-2015
  - 4. Lee, Karen Assessor Effective 09-19-2015
  - 5. Owen Jr. Edward Sheriff Effective 09-11-2015
  - 6. Sortwell, Linda- CSA Effective 09-01-2015
  - 7. Stewart, Kathryn BHRS- Effective 07-27-2015
  - 8. Woodward, Richard DER- Effective 09-19-2015
  - 9. Yamzon, Carlos StanCOG- Effective 09-05-2015
- c. Approval of Deferred Retirement(s) Section 31700
  - 1. Alejandro, Marina Stanislaus Regional 911 Effective 07-22-2015
  - 2. DeJesus, Mario CSA Effective 08-15-2015
  - 3. Eden, Judy Clerk Recorder- Effective 07-18-2015
  - 4. Ewen, Joshua CEO- Effective 08-01-2015

- c. Approval of Deferred Retirement(s) Section 31700(cont.)
  - 5. Huynh, Khaminh Probation Effective 08-22-2015
  - 6. Luzadas, Samuel District Attorney Effective 02-07-15
  - 7. Loeser, Mark CEO Effective 08-29-15
  - 8. Pasillas, Joe BHRS Effective 08-22-2015
  - 9. Matthews, Carrie CSA Effective 04-04-15
  - 10. Ramirez, Jose Sheriff Effective 03-30-15 \*
  - 11. Schmidt, Gayle DCSS Effective 08-21-15
  - 12. Woods, Cynthia District Attorney Effective 07-01-15
    - \* Indicates Safety Personnel
- d. Approval of Disability Retirement Section 31724
  - 1. Zamora, Pedro Sheriff, Service-Connected, Effective 09-10-2015

Motion was made by Trustee Grover and seconded by Trustee O'Neal to approve consent items as presented without item 5.d.1.

Motion carried unanimously

Trustee Sharpe recused himself from the Item 5.d.1 and left the board room.

Motion was made by Trustee Grover and seconded by Jegan Raja to approve item 5.d.1 as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Sharpe returned to the board room following the motion and unanimous vote.

## 6. Executive Director

a. Legal/Legislation Update

Dawn Lea gave the Board an update on current legislative issues in Sacramento that may affect StanCERA in the future. Of interest in today's discussion was a bill that was chaptered in Sacramento that authorizes Ventura County to provide 1937 Act retirement benefits to the employees' of Ventura County Employees' Retirement Association, to be classified as a "special district".

b. Monthly Staff Report

Staff gave an update on the major issues that staff has been working on during the past month. Please see agenda item 6.b. for a summary.

c. Discussion and Action on the State Association of County Retirement Systems (SACRS) November 17-20, 2015 Fall Conference Voting Proxy Form

Motion was made by Trustee Grover and seconded by Trustee Gordo to appoint Trustee O'Neal as the Voting Delegate and Trustee Sharpe for the Alternate Voting Delegate for the State Association of County Retirement Systems (SACRS) November 17-20, 2015 Fall Conference business meeting.

Motion carried unanimously

## 7. Closed Session

- a. 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)
- b. 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)

NONE

8. <u>Members' Forum (Information and Future Agenda Requests Only)</u>

Trustee Gordo briefed the Board and staff on the CALAPRS Principles of Pension Management Seminar and suggested that this Seminar is a very good learning forum for understanding the mechanics of pension management.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Santos, Executive Director

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Fred Silva, GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL

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