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BOARD OF RETIREMENT

Chair – Bernice James
Vice Chair – Joni Gray
Secretary - Donald Kendig
George Bobolia
Joseph Gallas
Julie McCammon
Vanessa Patterson
Ward Rafferty
Shawn Terris
Ronald Bruns
Frederick Tan

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT
REGULAR MEETING
December 17, 2008
Wisteria Room at Casa Nueva
260 N. San Antonio Road
Santa Barbara, California**

ROLL CALL 9:02 a.m.

Members Present: Bobolia, Gallas, James, McCammon, Patterson, Rafferty, Terris
Members Absent: Gray, Kendig
Alternate Present: Bruns
Alternate Absent: Tan
Counsel: Blakeboro
Clerk: Bignell

Trustee Tan arrived at 9:15 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair James directed counsel to advise the Board following a request by a building manager asking all guests to sign in each meeting. Trustee Terris requested that staff bring an item considering whether Board meetings should be audiotaped, videotaped, or televised, and what to do with requests to record meetings in the future. Chair James directed staff to bring that item to the Board within two months.

MINUTES

1. Approve Minutes of Regular Board meeting of November 19, 2008.

Trustee Terris requested that the last sentence in Public Comment be changed to read, "Upon Trustee Terris' inquiries, Trustee Gray confirmed that CSBTV-20 was video taping Board of Retirement meetings at the request of the Board of Supervisors," and that Trustee Rafferty be shown to have abstained from voting on Item 3.

MOTION: Adopt amended Minutes of Regular Board meeting of November 19, 2008.

Terris/Bobolia

Approved by unanimous voice vote of all present.

Absent: Gray, Kendig, Tan

CONSENT

- C-1. Adopt 2009 schedule of Board of Retirement meeting dates and locations.
- C-2. Chris Raiter, Applicant for Disability Retirement: Receive and approve applicant's request for a service retirement, pending final determination of his entitlement to disability retirement.
- C-3. Receive and file CALAPRS Board for 2009 and Schedule.
- C-4. Adopt Retirement Report.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Dept.</u>	<u>Service Credit</u>	<u>Sick</u> <u>Leave Credit</u>	<u>ARC</u>
D	Jennifer Briggs	Parks	22.66811	0.22020	
D R	Skip Buck	Sheriff	6.18779	0.09529	
Dis	Gloria Coleman	Sheriff	20.18814	0.37537	
	Martin Conoley	Probation	29.71365	0.98177	
	Jesse Flores	Public Works	19.10396	0.00300	
D Dis	Linda Gatz	County Counsel	13.66024	0.00160	
D	Valerie Prancevic	Clerk Recorder	21.59691	0.00614	4.00000
D R	Teresa Risinger	Probation	2.10233	0.00037	
	Irene Robles	Social Services	12.86431	0.28018	
D R	Gary Wright	Fire	14.45172	0.00069	

D=Deferred
Dis=Disabled
R=Reciprocal

MOTION: Approve Consent Agenda.

Terris/Gallas

Approved by unanimous voice vote of all present.

Absent: Gray, Kendig, Tan

Administrator will bring back a more detailed Board schedule for 2009 in January to include two meetings in Santa Maria.

Counsel Blakeboro suggested that the Board hear the report on the status of the effective date guidelines in open session because it was a policy issue rather than an issue with respect to a particular application.

DISABILITY RETIREMENT OPEN SESSION

- 4. Receive report from Disability Process Review Committee meeting of December 8, 2008. Counsel Blakeboro introduced item and addressed issues raised by the Board.

Chair James appointed Trustee Patterson as a member on the Disability Process Review Committee to replace outgoing Trustee Bruns.

NO ACTION TAKEN

**DISABILITY RETIREMENT
CLOSED SESSION**

2. Lawrence Rodriguez, Service-Connected Disability Retirement Applicant:
Grant the application of Lawrence Rodriguez for service-connected disability retirement, subject to timely requested hearing.

MOTION: Grant the application of Lawrence Rodriguez for service-connected disability retirement, subject to timely requested hearing.

Terris/Gallas Approved by unanimous voice vote of all present.
Absent: Gray, Kendig

5. Receive and file Disability Status Report.

MOTION: Receive and accept the Disability Status Report.

Terris/Gallas Approved by unanimous voice vote of all present.
Absent: Gray, Kendig

3. Thomas Matthews, Service-Connected Disability Retirement Applicant:
Grant the application of Thomas Matthews for service-connected disability retirement, subject to timely requested hearing.

Trustee Gallas recused himself and left the room for the remainder of Disability Retirement Closed Session.

MOTION: Grant the application of Thomas Matthews for service-connected disability retirement, subject to timely requested hearing.

Terris/McCammon Approved by unanimous voice vote of all present.
Absent: Gallas, Gray, Kendig

OPEN MEETING

Counsel Blakeboro summarized the Closed Session actions taken on Disability Items 2, 3, and 5 as listed above.

INVESTMENTS

6. Receive and file portfolio status report.

Eli Martinez presented the item and addressed issues raised by the Board.

NO ACTION TAKEN

7. Receive Investment Counsel report and give direction to staff and Counsel on the legal review and analysis of investment process, and take further action as the Board deems necessary.

Counsel Leiderman presented the item and addressed issues raised by the Board.

Administrator addressed issues raised by the Board.

NO ACTION TAKEN

8. Approve and adopt the BNY-Mellon Fee Schedule service for 2009.

Administrator introduced item and addressed issues raised by the Board.

Mike Ferguson of BNY-Mellon, addressed issues raised by the Board.

MOTION: Approve and adopt the BNY-Mellon Fee Schedule service for 2009.

Terris/Bobolia Approved by unanimous voice vote of all present.
Absent: Gray, Kendig

9. Receive AllianceBernstein US Diversified Value Outlook Update from PCA.

Neil Rue, Managing Director, Pension Consulting Alliance (PCA), presented the item and addressed issues raised by the Board.

Administrator addressed issues raised by the Board.

MOTION: Receive AllianceBernstein US Diversified Value Outlook Update from PCA.

Terris/Gallas Approved by unanimous voice vote of all present.
Absent: Gray, Kendig

10. Receive recommendation to remove The Boston Company Emerging Markets Value Account from "Watch" status, and take further action as the Board deems necessary.

Neil Rue presented the item and addressed issues raised by the Board.

MOTION: Remove The Boston Company Emerging Markets Value Account from "Watch" status.

Terris/McCammon Approved by unanimous voice vote of all present.
Absent: Gray, Kendig

11. Continue Asset/Liability modeling.

Sarah Bernstein, Principal, presented the Asset Liability modeling session for PCA and addressed issues raised by the Board.

Robert McCrory, Executive Vice President, presented the Asset Liability modeling session for EFI and addressed issues raised by the Board.

Administrator addressed issues raised by the Board.

Counsel Leiderman addressed issues raised by the Board.

NO ACTION TAKEN

BOARD

- 12. Receive presentations by recruitment firms and select one to conduct a search of qualified candidates for the position of Retirement Administrator.

Eric Middleton, Managing Partner, presented for Alliance Resource Consulting.

Stuart Satow, Executive Recruiter, presented for CPS Human Resource Services.

The Board deliberated on the presentations before selecting the recruitment firm.

Counsel Blakeboro pointed out that Trustee Tan would be voting in the absence of Trustee Kendig.

MOTION: Award contract to Alliance Resource Consulting.

Terris/Gallas

Approved

Yes: Bobolia, Gallas, James, McCammon, Patterson, Rafferty, Tan, Terris

Absent: Gray, Kendig

- 13. Direct staff to provide SACRS with SBCERS' vote on co-sponsoring AB-2526 or authorize a Board member to participate in the January 23, 2009 meeting and register SBCERS vote.

Administrator introduced item and addressed issues raised by the Board.

Counsels Blakeboro and Leiderman addressed issues raised by the Board.

MOTION: Will support SACRS' support for this if the legislation is consistent with the Brown Act and the goal is that the alternate retiree member can attend and participate in Committee meetings. Delegate to staff to participate in phone call meeting.

James/Patterson

Approved by unanimous voice vote of all present.

Absent: Gray, Kendig

ADMINISTRATOR

- 14. Receive and file Administrator's Report:

Administrator presented the item and addresses issues raised by the Board.

NO ACTION TAKEN

- 15. Board Presentations for next month:
 - a. Annual Board Retreat Disability Discussion
 - b. Trustee McCammon suggested that Trustee education and travel expenses be posted on SBCERS' website.

NO ACTION TAKEN

Counsel Blakeboro announced that the first Closed Session item dealt with Potential for Initiation rather than Anticipated Litigation

CLOSED SESSION
(3:03 p.m. – 3:29 p.m.)

Conference with Legal Counsel -- Initiation of Litigation (Government Code Section 549569(c))

Conference with Legal Counsel -- Existing Litigation, *County of Santa Barbara v. Board of Retirement* (Government Code Section 54956.9(a))

OPEN MEETING

Mr. Blakeboro announced that with regard to the Initiation of Litigation Closed Session, and Existing Litigation, *County of Santa Barbara v. Board of Retirement* Closed Session no reportable action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Clerk

Chair

Secretary