



Board of Retirement Regular Meeting

Sacramento County Employees' Retirement System

Agenda Item 9

MEETING DATE: April 17, 2019

SUBJECT: SACRS Spring 2019 Conference – Direction to SCERS Voting Delegate

SUBMITTED FOR: Consent Deliberation and Action Receive and File

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Board give the following direction to its voting delegate on items expected to be designated for action by the membership on the agenda for the State Association of County Retirement Systems (SACRS) Spring Business Meeting to be held on Friday, May 10, 2019.

1. Support the election of officer candidates for the SACRS Board of Directors recommended by the SACRS Nominating Committee.
2. Designate the Chief Executive Officer as the Voting Delegate and John Kelly, Keith DeVore, Martha Hoover, and John Conneally as the alternates authorized to vote on behalf of SCERS on matters presented for a vote of the SACRS membership.
3. Authorize SCERS voting delegate(s) to: (a) Vote in accordance with the positions adopted by the Board; (b) Vote on any matters that have not been specifically addressed by the Board in a manner consistent with positions previously expressed by the Board; and (c) Abstain from voting on any matters the Board has not previously addressed and upon which the Board has not shown a strong consensus.

PURPOSE

This item supports the 2018-19 Strategic Management Plan to maintain transparent communications among stakeholders by engaging peer retirement systems on statewide pension matters that are of importance to SCERS members.

Election of SACRS Directors

The SACRS Nominating Committee has provided member systems with a Recommended Ballot that proposes the following officer candidates for the SACRS Board of Directors positions.

- President: Dan McAllister, San Diego CERA
- Vice President: Vivian Gray, Los Angeles CERA
- Treasurer: Harry Hagen, Santa Barbara CERA
- Secretary: Kathryn Cavness, Mendocino CERA

Of the four recommended officer candidates, Mr. McAllister, Mr. Hagen, and Ms. Cavness are incumbents in the positions of President, Treasurer, and Secretary, respectively. Ms. Gray, is the sole candidate for Vice President.

SCERS Voting Delegate for the SACRS Business Meetings

The Board of each SACRS member system must designate one of its members or SCERS staff to vote on behalf of SCERS at the SACRS Business Meeting. The Board's regular practice is to designate the Chief Executive Officer as SCERS' Voting Delegate.

While it is not necessary to identify an Alternate Voting Delegate, the Board may do so as a contingency in the event an unforeseen circumstance arises that prevents the primary voting delegate from being available to vote on SCERS behalf at the Business Meeting. Staff proposes that John Kelly, Keith DeVore, Martha Hoover, and John Conneally, as the Board's Alternate Voting Delegates.

ATTACHMENTS

- SACRS Board of Director Elections 2019-2020 Elections – Recommended Ballot
- SCERS Voting Proxy

Prepared by:

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Eric Stern
Chief Executive Officer



March 25, 2019

To: SACRS Trustees & SACRS Administrators/CEO's
From: Ray McCray, SACRS Immediate Past President, Nominating Committee Chair
SACRS Nominating Committee
Re: SACRS Board of Director Elections 2019-2020 Elections – Final Ballot

SACRS BOD 2019-2020 election process began January 2019. Please provide the final ballot and voting instructions to your Board of Trustees and Voting Delegates.

DEADLINE	DESCRIPTION
March 1, 2019	Any regular member may submit nominations for the election of a Director to the Nominating Committee, provided the Nominating Committee receives those nominations no later than noon on March 1 of each calendar year regardless of whether March 1 is a Business Day. Each candidate may run for only one office. Write-in candidates for the final ballot, and nominations from the floor on the day of the election, shall not be accepted.
March 25, 2019	The Nominating Committee will report a final ballot to each regular member County Retirement System prior to March 25
May 10, 2019	Nomination Committee to conduct elections during the SACRS Business Meeting at the Spring Conference (May 7-10, 2019)
May 10, 2019	Board of Directors take office for 1 year

Per SACRS Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 1. Board of Director and Section 2. Elections of Directors:

Section 1. Board of Directors. The Board shall consist of the officers of SACRS as described in Article VI, Section 1, the immediate Past President, and two (2) regular members

A. Immediate Past President. *The immediate Past President, while he or she is a regular member of SACRS, shall also be a member of the Board. In the event the immediate Past President is unable to serve on the Board, the most recent Past President who qualifies shall serve as a member of the Board.*

B. Two (2) Regular Members. *Two (2) regular members shall also be members of the Board with full voting rights.*

Section 2. Elections of Directors. *Any regular member may submit nominations for the election of a Director to the Nominating Committee, provided the Nominating Committee receives those nominations no later than noon on March 1 of each calendar year regardless of whether March 1 is a Business Day. Each candidate may run for only one office. Write-in candidates for the final ballot, and nominations from the floor on the day of the election, shall not be accepted.*

The Nominating Committee will report its suggested slate, along with a list of the names of all members who had been nominated, to each regular member County Retirement System prior to March 25.



The Administrator of each regular member County Retirement System shall be responsible for communicating the Nominating Committee's suggested slate to each trustee and placing the election of SACRS Directors on his or her board agenda. The Administrator shall acknowledge the completion of these responsibilities with the Nominating Committee.

Director elections shall take place during the first regular meeting of each calendar year. The election shall be conducted by an open roll call vote, and shall conform to Article V, Sections 6 and 7 of these Bylaws.

Newly elected Directors shall assume their duties at the conclusion of the meeting at which they are elected, with the exception of the office of Treasurer. The incumbent Treasurer shall co-serve with the newly elected Treasurer through the completion of the current fiscal year.

The elections will be held at the SACRS Spring Conference May 7-10, 2019 at the Resort at Squaw Creek, Lake Tahoe, CA. Elections will be held during the Annual Business meeting on Friday, May 10, 2019.

SACRS Nominating Committee Final Ballot:

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| • Dan McAllister, San Diego CERA | President |
| • Vivian Gray, Los Angeles CERA | Vice President |
| • Harry Hagen, Santa Barbara, CERS | Treasurer |
| • Kathryn Cavness, Mendocino CERA | Secretary |
| • Roger Hilton, Orange CERS | Regular Member |
| • Chris Cooper, Marin CERA | Regular Member |

Additional Candidates Submitted:

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| • Vere Williams, San Bernardino CERA | Regular Member |
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Please prepare your voting delegate to have the ability to vote by the recommended ballot and by each position separately.

If you have any questions, please contact me at Ray McCray, raym1@sbcglobal.net or (209) 471-4472.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this timely matter.

Sincerely,

Ray McCray

Ray McCray, San Joaquin CERA Trustee
SACRS Nominating Committee Chair

CC: SACRS Board of Directors
SACRS Nominating Committee Members
Sulema H. Peterson, SACRS Administrator



**SACRS Nomination Submission Form
SACRS Board of Directors Elections 2019-2020**

All interested candidates must complete this form and submit along with a letter of intent. **Both the form and the letter of intent must be submitted no later than March 1, 2019.** Please submit to the Nominating Committee Chair at raym1@sbcglobal.net AND to SACRS at sulema@sacrs.org. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sulema Peterson at SACRS at (916) 441-1850.

Name of Candidate	Dan McAllister
Candidate Contact Information (Please include – Phone Number, Email Address and Mailing Address)	[REDACTED]
Name of Retirement System Candidate Currently Serves On	SDCERA
Current Position On Candidates Retirement Board (Chair, Alternate, Retiree, General Elected, Etc)	County Treasurer-Tax Collector, mandated member.
Applying for SACRS Board of Directors Position (select only one)	<input type="radio"/> President <input checked="" type="radio"/> Vice President <input checked="" type="radio"/> Treasurer <input checked="" type="radio"/> Secretary <input type="radio"/> Regular Member
Brief Bio	<p>Dan McAllister has served San Diego County residents as the County's Treasurer-Tax Collector since 2002. He was re-elected to his fifth term in June. Dan oversees the collection of more than \$6 billion in property taxes each year, the management of \$11.6 billion in the County's Investment Pool, and the administration of the County's \$1.5 billion defined contribution program. Since assuming office, he has worked extensively to improve customer service, enhance communications and outreach initiatives, and ensure the fiscal stability of the treasury. Under his direction, his office collected a record high 60% of property tax payments electronically, while maintaining a 99% collection rate for the past three years. He is also a strong advocate for diversity, a value reflected in his staff that comes from all walks of life and backgrounds. His office now delivers service in 17 different languages.</p> <p>As part of his duties, Dan serves as a member of the San Diego County Employees Retirement Association (SDCERA), which manages more than \$13 billion of investments; he also serves as a board member of several non-profit organizations in San Diego.</p>



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Dan McAllister
Treasurer-Tax Collector



February 21, 2019

Mr. Ray McCray
Chairman
Nominating Committee
State Association of County Retirement Systems

Dear Mr. McCray,

This is to officially submit my name for consideration by the Nominating Committee for the office of SACRS President.

When I first ran for the Presidency, I pledged to continue to help move our organization forward with strong, inclusive leadership. I also spoke of my experiences and accomplishments as San Diego County Treasurer-Tax Collector; and of serving as a Trustee on the San Diego County Employees Retirement Association (SDCERA) Board and two successful terms as Board Chair.

Over the past five years, it has been my distinct honor and pleasure to serve on the SACRS Board. First as Treasurer and now President. I am extremely proud of the work our board has completed during these years to improve our levels of customer service to our members. During the past two years for example the SACRS Board performed a comprehensive review and update of Board Policies and Procedures. We added two new seats to the Board to be more inclusive and give more members an opportunity to serve. We also made strong efforts to add new people to a number of our standing committees.

Indeed, it has been a productive year for the Board and we have made a difference for the SACRS membership. Ours has been a team effort and one that can point to positive developments and continuous improvement.

SACRS is a special organization and one that must continue to provide educational forums for disseminating information to Trustees and system staffs from all '37 Act counties. Additionally, SACRS must take an active role in the legislative process as it impacts county retirement systems.

As SACRS President for the coming year, I will continue to work collaboratively with the SACRS Board and Trustees statewide to ensure that our educational programs and conferences continue to be of the highest quality and content.

With your support and nomination, I would be honored to serve again as President of SACRS. Thank you in advance for your careful and positive consideration of my candidacy for re-election.

Sincerely,

Dan McAllister



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Name of Candidate	VIVIAN GRAY
Candidate Contact Information (Phone Number, Email Address and Mailing Address MUST be included)	[REDACTED]
Name of Retirement System Candidate Currently Serves On	Los Angeles County Employees Retirement Association (LACERA)
Current Position On Retirement Board (Chair, Alternate, Retiree, General Elected, Etc)	General Elected Trustee, Board of Retirement http://www.lacera.com/about_lacera/bor/gray.html
Applying for SACRS Board of Directors Position (You may only select one)	<input type="radio"/> President <input checked="" type="radio"/> Vice President <input type="radio"/> Treasurer <input type="radio"/> Secretary <input type="radio"/> Regular Member
Brief Bio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair, LACERA Board of Retirement 2018 • Chair, SACRS Program Committee • Elected general member trustee since 2012 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 35 years of service to Los Angeles County 10 years in Law Enforcement 25 years as an attorney for Los Angeles County • 6 years in private law practice • Education/Pension Trustee Certificates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bachelors of Arts: UCLA - JD: UWLA - New York Law School - Public Pension Trustee Fiduciary Program - Stanford Law School (CALAPRS) - Principles of Pension Management - Harvard Law School Program - Trustee Work Life - UC Berkeley (SACRS) - Modern Investment Theory & Practice for Retirement Systems - IFEBP - Trustee Masters Program - NCPERS - Public Pension Funding Forum - Wharton Business School - Portfolio Concepts and Management (Pending) - National Assoc. of Corporate Directors (NACD) Board Leadership Fellow

VIVIAN GRAY

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February 20, 2019

VIA EMAIL

SACRS Nominating Committee
Mr. Ray McCray, Chair

Dear Mr. McCray:

I would like to express my interest in remaining SACRS' Vice President for 2019/2020.

I have been honored to serve as Vice President and Chair of the Program Committee for the past 2018/2019 year. During this past year SACRS has made considerable strides in remaining a relevant organization for trustee education for the 20 systems comprising the 1937 Act Counties.

As instituted by the revised SACRS Bylaws in 2018 the SACRS leadership was expanded to a seven member board of directors. This expansion has served SACRS well by fostering a cohesive elected board whose focus is to increase SACRS level of recognition while maintaining its reputation as an excellent educational forum for trustees, its affiliates and the related pension community.

Through its strong leadership, SACRS can continue to become the premier entity in the direct education of trustees. I believe SACRS is a viable organization among retirement systems. We have secured a presence not only in our CERL 37 Act Systems, but are gaining headway and recognition beyond CERL.

Your consideration of me to continue as vice president would be an honor.

I have attached the SACRS Nomination Form containing my brief bio.

Sincerely,

Vivian Gray

Vivian Gray

cc: Sulema Peterson, SACRS



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Name of Candidate	Harry E. Hagen
Candidate Contact Information (Please include – Phone Number, Email Address and Mailing Address)	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Name of Retirement System Candidate Currently Serves On	SBCERS (Santa Barbara)
List Your Current Position on Retirement Board (Chair, Alternate, Retiree, General Elected, Etc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="radio"/> Chair<input type="radio"/> Alternate<input type="radio"/> General Elected<input type="radio"/> Retiree<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Ex-officio member, Vice-Chair
Applying for SACRS Board of Directors Position (select only one)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="radio"/> President<input type="radio"/> Vice President<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Treasurer<input type="radio"/> Secretary<input type="radio"/> Regular Member
Brief Bio	See Attachment

February 28, 2019

To Ray McCray , SACRS Nominating Committee Chair,

I would like to continue serving on the SACRS Board of Directors and am submitting my letter of intent to run for the position of Treasurer.

I believe I am well qualified for the position based upon my educational and work experience. I am a 23-year employee of Santa Barbara County and the current Vice-Chair of the Santa Barbara County Employees Retirement System. I have served as the ex-officio member of SBCERS for over eight years. I was also an alternate member to the board for eight years as the Assistant Treasurer-Tax Collector-Public Administrator.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me directly.

Thank you for your consideration.



Harry E. Hagen, CPA, CPFA, CPFO, CFIP, CGIP, ACPFIM
Treasurer-Tax Collector-Public Administrator-Public Guardian
County of Santa Barbara
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Harry E. Hagen
Bio for SACRS Nomination Submission Form

I am the current Santa Barbara County Treasurer-Tax Collector-Public Administrator. I was first elected in 2010 and am currently serving in my third four-year term.

I am responsible for overseeing and investing a \$1.6 billion investment pool for local schools, general County government, and special districts. I manage the collection of taxes and general collections, administer Public Administrator estates and Public Guardian conservatorships, and oversee Veterans' Services programs. My duties also include serving as Chair of the County Debt Advisory Committee, implementing and managing the County's municipal financing program, and administering the County's deferred compensation program.

I hold a Bachelor's degree in Business Economics from UCSB, am a 27-year California Certified Public Accountant, and have completed the Certificate in Public Treasury Management from USC. Additionally, I have earned the designations of CPFO from the Government Finance Officers Association, CPFA and ACPFIM from the Association of Public Treasurers, CGIP from the Government Investment Officers Association, and CFIP from the Fixed Income Academy.



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Name of Candidate	Kathryn Cavness
Candidate Contact Information (Please include – Phone Number, Email Address and Mailing Address)	[REDACTED]
Name of Retirement System Candidate Currently Serves On	Mendocino County Employee Retirement Association (MCERA)
Current Position On Candidates Retirement Board (Chair, Alternate, Retiree, General Elected, Etc.)	MCERA Chair, General Elected
Applying for SACRS Board of Directors Position (select only one)	<input type="checkbox"/> President <input type="checkbox"/> Vice President <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Member
Brief Bio	<p>My education and professional experience provides qualifications ideally suited for taking on the responsibilities of Secretary of the SACRS Board of Directors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two years' experience as Secretary for SACRS Board of Directors • Trustee and Chair on the MCERA Board and member of the MCERA Auditing Committee • Executive Education Investment Program, Hass School of Business, UC Berkeley • Principles of Pension Management for Trustees, Graziadio Business School, Pepperdine University • Advanced Principles of Pension Management for Trustees, UCLA • Master's Degree in Business Administration/Accounting Emphasis • County of Mendocino District Attorney's Office Administrative Services Manager • Fiscal Officer for the Lake and Mendocino County Area Agency on Aging

Kathryn Cavness
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January 29, 2017

Ray McCray, Chair
SACRS Nominating Committee
1415 L St., Suite 1000,
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Nominating Committee:

Please consider my request to run for Secretary of the State Association of County Retirement Systems (SACRS) Board of Directors in the upcoming May 2019 election. If elected, this will be my third term to serve as SACRS Secretary. I am also currently the Chair, as an Elected Trustee, of the Mendocino County Employee Retirement Association (MCERA) and member of the MCERA Audit Committee.

My interest in seeking the position of Secretary on the SACRS Board of Directors is to continue representing the interests of all 1937 Act County Trustees and to reach out to Trustees to attain greater participation in SACRS activities; my commitment to 1937 Act Trustees and Members is to carry out the goals and objectives of the SACRS strategic plan. If elected, my focus will be on improving our Trustee participation at the Spring and Fall Conferences, the UC Berkeley Educational Programs, and increasing membership on SACRS' Committees, including the Legislative, Program, Education and Bylaws Committees.

I wish to persist in my efforts to attain greater parity for the smaller, rural, central and northern 1937 Act systems; I am Chair of MCERA, the smallest, northernmost, rural SACRS retirement system. I have had the pleasure of visiting a few of the retirement systems in Northern California and I look forward to engaging in more of these relationship building activities to discover what individual retirement systems are seeking from SACRS.

My educational background and professional experience has provided me with a strong administrative/financial background ideally suited for taking on the responsibilities of Secretary of the SACRS Board of Directors:

- Two years as Secretary for SACRS Board of Directors
- Chair on the MCERA Board and MCERA Auditing Committee Member
- County of Mendocino District Attorney's Office Administrative Services Manager
- Executive Education Investment Program, Hass School of Business, UC Berkeley
- Principles of Pension Management for Trustees, Graziadio Business School, Pepperdine University
- Advanced Principles of Pension Management for Trustees, UCLA
- MBA/Accounting Emphasis

Sincerely,

Kathryn Cavness



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Name of Candidate	Roger Hilton
Candidate Contact Information (Please include – Phone Number, Email Address and Mailing Address)	[REDACTED]
Name of Retirement System Candidate Currently Serves On	Orange County Employees Retirement System (OCERS)
Current Position On Candidates Retirement Board (Chair, Alternate, Retiree, General Elected, Etc)	Vice-Chair - Elected Safety Member
Applying for SACRS Board of Directors Position (select only one)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> President <input type="radio"/> Vice President <input type="radio"/> Treasurer <input type="radio"/> Secretary <input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Member
Brief Bio	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Currently serving as SACRS Regular Board Member 2018-2019 <input type="checkbox"/> OCERS: served as Chairman of the board, chair of the Investment Committee, and have chaired several committees, elected 2012 - Present. <input type="checkbox"/> Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriffs (AOCDS) Board of Directors: Currently serving as Vice President and Political Action Chairman, 2011 - Present. <input type="checkbox"/> Trustee on Medical and Benefits Trusts, 2011 - Present. <input type="checkbox"/> Association of Deputy Marshals Board of Directors, 1992-2000 – Served as President 1996-2000, Treasurer 1993-1996. <p>Public Pension Trustee certificates: -Modern Investment Theory & Practice – UC Berkeley; -Portfolio concepts and Management -Wharton School of Business; -Certificate in Public Plan Policy I and II; -Principles of Pension Management - Stanford University; -Advanced Principles of Pension Management - UCLA; -Labor and Worklife Program, Harvard Law School</p>

February 15, 2019

2223 East Wellington Ave. Suite 100
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Ray McCray, SACRS Nominating Committee Chair

Dear Mr. McCray:

Please accept this letter as my intent to run for the Board of Directors for the position of Regular Member. I would request that my name be included in the 2019-2020 SACRS Nomination Slate at the upcoming elections in May 2019.

I believe my years of experience leading employee labor organizations and the OCERS Board of Retirement have uniquely prepared me for this challenge. I have 30 years of experience in law enforcement, 26 years serving in the leadership of employee labor organizations, 6 ½ years on the OCERS Board of Retirement, and a year on the SACRS Board. My experience is further outlined on the Nomination Submission form attached to this letter.

Since elected to OCERS, I have made it a point to attend the SACRS conferences. Through these conferences, I have learned a great deal about pensions and have found many friends and mentors. I believe that SACRS is the most effective and important conference '37 Act trustees should attend, because of its relevant content and top-notch presenters. My primary goal is to keep SACRS as the premier public pension organization. I plan to utilize my extensive leadership experience by reaching out to and communicating with our members so they fully understand the many benefits of SACRS. My focus will be on continuing successful conferences and keeping SACRS a professional organization.

It would be an honor to continue to serve on the SACRS Board of Directors and I appreciate the consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Roger Hilton", written in a cursive style.

Roger Hilton

OCERS Board of Directors



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Name of Candidate	Chris C. Cooper
Candidate Contact Information (Please include – Phone Number, Email Address and Mailing Address)	[REDACTED]
Name of Retirement System Candidate Currently Serves On	Marin County Employees' Retirement Association
List Your Current Position on Retirement Board (Chair, Alternate, Retiree, General Elected, Etc)	<input type="radio"/> Chair <input type="radio"/> Alternate <input type="radio"/> General Elected <input type="radio"/> Retiree <input type="radio"/> Other _____Elected Public Safety_____
Applying for SACRS Board of Directors Position (select only one)	<input type="radio"/> President <input type="radio"/> Vice President <input type="radio"/> Treasurer <input type="radio"/> Secretary <input type="radio"/> Regular Member XXXX
Brief Bio	<p>My name is Chris Cooper and I am running to be re-elected to the position of Regular Member on the SACRS Board of Directors. I served in the U.S. Army for 8 years as a Mandarin Linguist/Interrogator and then graduated from the University of California, Berkeley with a degree in Political Economy of Industrial Societies. After a career as a merchandise buyer for a large retailer, I left to own/manage several franchise stores.</p> <p>Gradually, my hobby of volunteering with Wilderness and Urban Search and Rescue pulled me back to a career in Public Service. I sold the stores and became a Paramedic then attended the Fire Academy. I have been a Fire Captain/Paramedic in the City of San Rafael for 9 years and have served on the Marin Board of Retirement for 7 years. I live in San Rafael with my wife Lisa and 2 children (Calvin 17, Lucy 13).</p> <p>Serving on the SACRS Board for the last year has been rewarding and I would like to continue for the next term.</p> <p>Thank you</p>

Letter of Intent

I am Chris Cooper and I have had the honor of serving on the SACRS Board of Directors for the last year as a Regular Member. I am a Fire Captain/Paramedic in San Rafael, CA and have served as the Elected Safety member on the Marin County Employees' Retirement Association for 7 years. Having attended SACRS conferences for 7 years, I want to give back to the Association and people who have given so much to help me be a better Trustee. The last year on the Board has been eye-opening and I would like to serve in the position another year.

Thank you,

Chris Cooper



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Name of Candidate	Vere Williams
Candidate Contact Information (Please include – Phone Number, Email Address and Mailing Address)	<div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 15px; margin-bottom: 2px;"></div> <div style="background-color: black; width: 150px; height: 15px; margin-bottom: 2px;"></div> <div style="background-color: black; width: 80px; height: 15px; margin-bottom: 2px;"></div> <div style="background-color: black; width: 60px; height: 15px;"></div>
Name of Retirement System Candidate Currently Serves On	San Bernardino County Employees' Retirement Association (SBcera)
Current Position On Candidates Retirement Board (Chair, Alternate, Retiree, General Elected, Etc)	General Elected
Applying for SACRS Board of Directors Position (select only one)	<input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> Regular Member
Brief Bio	<p>Seated on the SBcera's Board in January 2015 and has served on the Administrative, Audit and Investment committees. Served on the governing Boards of Teamsters Local 1932, California State Conference of the NAACP, Working Assembly of Governmental Employees (WAGE) and other organizations. Past president of the African-American Employees Association and currently Treasurer of the Hispanic Employees Alliance. Earned an MBA in Information Management/Accounting and has completed certification courses at UCLA, Pepperdine and Wharton on Retirement System Management. I have been an Enrolled Agent for over 20 years along with over 25 years experience working in the finance department at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, Colton. I have been trained in conflict resolution and have attend various workshop and seminars on organizational dynamics and interplay.</p> <p>A guiding quote – <i>"I always wondered why somebody didn't do something about that, then I realized I was somebody."</i> – Lily Tomlin</p>

March 1, 2019

VIA Email

Ray McCray, Chair

SACRS Nominating Committee

Dear Mr. McCray,

Please accept this letter as my letter of intent to run for the position of Regular Member in SACRS Board of Directors Elections 2019-2020.

I am a Trustee with the San Bernardino County Employees' Retirement Association (SBcera). I started on the SBcera Board in January 2015 and attended my first SACRS conference that year. I found the sessions to be very informative and educational with the presenters being experts or thought leaders in their field. Since then, I have attended several conferences sponsored by other organizations that are single topic focused and I have also completed certification programs at Wharton, Pepperdine and UCLA. In comparison, SACRS conferences provide a comprehensive insight into the "nuts and bolts" of the functioning of the retirement systems with an emphasis on current application of the topics. SACRS provides attendees an opportunity to understand different perspectives thereby encouraging clearer lines of communication and to hear about what works and what may be problematic. The networking and information sharing opportunities with colleagues at SACRS is immensely valuable.

SACRS recent expansion of the Board to include additional members was a very good strategic move that has helped to expand experience pool and knowledge base. If elected as a Regular Member, I would work to ensure that SACRS remain the preeminent educational organization for the CERL 37 Act Systems by maintaining the high caliber of our conferences. Additionally, I would seek to encourage even greater participation from trustees and staff of the 37 Act Systems. I believe in getting involved as demonstrated by my volunteering to lead a CALAPRS Roundtable after attending a few sessions. Over the years, I have served on the governing Boards of Teamsters Local 1932, Working Assembly of Governmental Employees and other organizations.

I thank you in advance for your kind consideration and support. It would be a high honor to be elected to serve on the SACRS Board for the 2019-2020 term.

Please find attached the completed SACRS nomination form.

Respectfully,

Vere Williams

Vere Williams, MBA

SBcera Board of Directors – General Member

cc: Sulema Peterson, SACRS



SACRS VOTING PROXY FORM

The following are authorized by the Sacramento County Retirement Board to vote on behalf of the County Retirement System at SACRS Conferences;

(if you have more than one alternate, please attach the list of alternates in priority order):

Eric Stern

Voting Delegate

See Attached List

Alternate Voting Delegate

These delegates were approved by the Retirement Board on April 17, 2019.

The person authorized to fill out this form on behalf of the Retirement Board:

Signature: _____

Print Name: Richard B. Fowler, II

Position: President

Date: April 17, 2019

Please send your system's voting proxy by April 19, 2019 to Sulema H. Peterson, SACRS Administrator at Sulema@sacrs.org.



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ALTERNATE VOTING DELEGATES

The following are authorized by the Sacramento County Retirement Board to vote on behalf of the County Retirement System at SACRS Conferences;

John Kelly Alternate Voting Delegate

Keith DeVore Alternate Voting Delegate

Martha Hoover Alternate Voting Delegate

John Conneally Alternate Voting Delegate

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Signature: _____

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