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## AGENDA

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

### SACRAMENTO COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021**

**10:00 A.M.**

**Location: SCERS Board Room  
980 9<sup>th</sup> Street, 19th Floor  
Sacramento, California 95814**

**Live-stream at [www.scers.org](http://www.scers.org)**

**(Please see public participation information at the bottom of this Agenda)**

### OPEN SESSION

**Item 1. Call to Order**

**Item 2. Teleconferencing Rules Under Ralph M. Brown Act**

Staff to recommend Board make findings necessary regarding the public health emergency to allow Board Members to participate in Board meetings for the next 30 days via teleconference under Government Code section 54953(e). Deliberation and action.

**Item 3. Public Comment**

Matters under the jurisdiction of the Board may be addressed by the general public at the start of the meeting. Total meeting time allotted for the Public Comment item is up to fifteen (15) minutes.

Members of the Board of Retirement:

Rick Fowler, President  
Appointed by the Board of Supervisors

John B. Kelly, Vice President  
Appointed by the Board of Supervisors

Keith DeVore, Vice President  
Appointed by the Board of Supervisors

Vacant  
Appointed by the Board of Supervisors

Diana Gin  
Elected by the Miscellaneous Members

Ben Lamera  
Ex Officio, Director of Finance

Dave Comerchero  
Elected by the Miscellaneous Members

Martha J. Hoover  
Elected by the Retired Members

Matt Petersen  
Elected by the Safety Members

Kathy O'Neil  
Elected by the Retired Members

Jack Philp  
Elected by the Safety Members

## **CONSENT MATTERS – Items 4 - 13:**

Consent matters are acted upon as one unit. If the Chair removes an item from the Consent Calendar for discussion, it will be heard as the last item(s) of the Administrative Matters, Benefit Matters, Investment Matters or Closed Session, as appropriate. If a Consent item containing one or more recommendations to the Board is approved on Consent the recommendation(s) therein are approved.

**Item 4. Minutes of the September 15, 2021 regular meeting**

**Item 5. Disability Retirement Applications**

- A. ALONZO, Jesse; Staff recommendation dated October 20, 2021.
- B. HUNT, Bruce; Staff recommendation dated October 20, 2021.
- C. Reference: General Law and Authorized Board Actions on Disability Retirement Proposed Decisions

**Item 6. Ratification of Service Retirement Application Approvals – August 2021 and September 2021**

**Item 7. CEO Delegated Authority Expense Report**

**Item 8. Strategic Management Plan—Quarterly Performance Report**

**Item 9. Pension Administration System Quarterly Review**

**Item 10. Placement Agent Disclosure Report**

**Item 11. State Association of County Retirement Systems Legislative Update—October 2021**

**Item 12. Monthly Investment Manager Activity, Compliance and Watch List Report—September 2021**

**Item 13. Monthly Report of Investment Activity – September 2021**

## **EXECUTIVE REPORTS:**

**Item 14. Chief Executive Officer’s Report (no action requested)**

**Item 15. Chief Investment Officer’s Report (no action requested)**

**Item 16. Chief Benefits Officer’s Report (no action requested)**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:**

**Item 17. SACRS Legislative Proposal for 2022**

Staff to recommend Board approve SACRS sponsorship of 2022 legislative proposal regarding technical and clarifying amendment to the County Employees’ Retirement Law of 1937. Deliberation and action.

**Item 18. Board Education Policy**

Staff to recommend Board re-affirm Board Education Policy that establishes guidelines for trustees to meet statutory education requirements. Deliberation and action.

**Item 19. Compensation Policy**

Staff to recommend Board re-affirm Compensation Policy that provides consistency with respect to how compensation decisions are made for executive management positions. Deliberation and action.

**INVESTMENT MATTERS:**

**Item 20. Education: Investment Opportunities in China**

Staff to facilitate discussion panel with JP Morgan and regarding considerations and opportunities when directly investing in China. Receive and file.

**Item 21. Asset Class Restructuring: Absolute Return**

Staff to recommend implementation path for revised strategic asset allocation in absolute return. Deliberation and action.

**Item 22. Asset Class Restructuring: Fixed Income**

Staff to recommend implementation path for revised strategic asset allocation in fixed income. Deliberation and action.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Item 23. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION—CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Public employee performance evaluation pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1).

**OPEN SESSION**

Any actions taken in Closed Session will be announced.

**Public Participation Information**

Pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e)(1), the Board of Retirement shall hold its October 20, 2021 meeting at the physical location identified above, but with one or more Board members attending via teleconferencing. Although the physical location is open to the public, members of the public have other options for observing and/or addressing the meeting:

*If you wish to listen to the meeting only, you can call in at +1 (669) 254-5252 - Webinar ID: 161 896 5993.*

*If you wish to watch the meeting and/or address the Board, you can connect using the Zoom video-conferencing system. In order to do so, you must have an Internet-connected PC or Mac, or an Internet-connected mobile device. If you wish to address the Board, you will also need a microphone. If connecting from a mobile device, please download the necessary Zoom app in advance of the meeting. You can access the meeting [here](#). Further detailed instructions on using Zoom can be found at this link: <https://www.scers.org/post/zoom-instructions>.*

*If you do not have access to Zoom video-conferencing and wish to address the Board, please contact SCERS at [SacRetire@saccounty.net](mailto:SacRetire@saccounty.net) by no later than October 19, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. so that arrangements can be made for you to address the Board by telephone at a pre-determined time.*

*If you are an individual with a disability, and you require a modification or accommodation to the above procedures in order to observe or address the meeting, please contact General Counsel Stephen Lau at [laus@saccounty.net](mailto:laus@saccounty.net) or (916) 874-5706.*

Item 3 is a 15-minute general public comment period. At the outset of Item 3, the Board President will invite members of the public to come forward to address the Board. If at that time no one comes forward, in lieu of waiting for 15 minutes, the Board President will continue general public comment to just before the conclusion of the Board meeting. Thereafter, members of the public may address the Board in two ways: (1) by commenting on specific agenda items during the discussion of each item, and (2) by offering general comment just prior to the conclusion of the meeting. Because the Board President may not affirmatively call for public comment during those times, members of the public should signal their desire to comment by pressing the “Chat” icon at the bottom of the screen and then typing a message. That person will then be given an opportunity to address the Board through Zoom audio.

Out of an abundance of caution, and as a precaution against technical difficulties, we strongly recommend that any member of the public who wishes to address the Board email their comments to SCERS in advance to ensure that the Board will receive and consider them. Such comments may be emailed to SCERS at [SacRetire@saccounty.net](mailto:SacRetire@saccounty.net). Failure to submit comments in advance would not preclude addressing the Board during the meeting.

Please be advised that the Board meeting will be recorded in its entirety.