

COUNTY OF TULARE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

REGULAR RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at 8:30 a.m.
TCERA Board Room, 136 N. Akers Street, Visalia, CA 93291

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m. by Pete Vander Poel, Chair.

II. ROLL CALL

Voting Trustees Present:

Cass Cook, Gary Reed, Roland Hill, Nathan Polk, Pete Vander Poel

Trustees Absent:

Jim Young, Ty Inman

Voting Alternate

Trustees Present:

David Vasquez (Voting for Seat 3)

Alternate Trustees Present:

Jorge Garcia

Alternate Trustees Absent:

George Finney

Staff Members Present:

Leanne Malison, Retirement Administrator, Paul Sampietro, Assistant Retirement

Administrator, Melanie Tyler, Secretary II

Board Counsel Present:

Aaron Zaheen, Deputy County Counsel, Paula Clark, Deputy County Counsel

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, members of the public may comment on any item not appearing on the agenda. Under state law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon by the Board at this time. For items appearing on the agenda, the public is invited to make comments at the time the item comes up for Board consideration. Any person addressing the Board will be limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes. Please state your name for the record.

V. X-AGENDA ITEMS

None

VI. DISABILITIES

Mr. Campos addressed the Board prior to closed session.

- 1. Closed session to be held regarding disability matters listed on this agenda. Time for closed session was 8:36 a.m. 8:54 a.m.
- 2. In the matter of the disability application of Diana Flores, consider and take action regarding the application for a disability retirement.

Motion to grant a service-connected disability retirement. Based on the medical evidence submitted, the applicant has met the burden of proof on the question of permanent disability and the question of job causation.

Motion: Polk Second: Reed

Motion passed unanimously.

3. In the matter of the disability application of Francis Garcia, consider and take action regarding the application for a disability retirement.

Motion to grant a service-connected disability retirement. Based on the medical evidence submitted, the applicant has met the burden of proof on the question of permanent disability and the question of job causation.

Motion: Polk Second: Vasquez

Motion passed unanimously.

4. In the matter of the disability application of David Uhl, consider and take action regarding the application for a disability retirement.

Motion to grant a service-connected disability retirement. Based on the medical evidence submitted, the applicant has met the burden of proof on the question of permanent disability and the question of job causation.

Motion: Hill Second: Cook

Motion passed unanimously.

5. In the matter of the disability application of Joseph Campos, consider and take action regarding the application for a disability retirement.

Motion to grant a service-connected disability retirement. Based on the medical evidence submitted, the applicant has met the burden of proof on the question of permanent disability and the question of job causation.

Motion: Vasquez Second: Polk

Motion passed unanimously.

6. In the matter of the disability application of Veronica Arroyo, consider and take action regarding the application for a disability retirement.

Motion to grant a service-connected disability retirement. Based on the medical evidence submitted, the applicant has met the burden of proof on the question of permanent disability and the question of job causation.

Motion: Cook Second: Reed

Motion passed unanimously.

7. In the matter of the disability application of Stephanie Negrete, consider and take action regarding the application for a disability retirement.

Motion to grant a service-connected disability retirement. Based on the medical evidence submitted, the applicant has met the burden of proof on the question of permanent disability and the question of job causation.

Motion: Polk Second: Hill Motion passed unanimously.

8. Accept as filed the Disability Status Report Overview.

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

- Approve Minutes of the following meetings:
 - a. Retirement Board Minutes of October 25, 2023.
- 2. Approve payments to:
 - a. Cheiron invoice for actuarial services in the amount of \$69,285.00 for the quarter ended September 30, 2023.
 - b. Boston Partners invoice for investment management services in the amount of \$79,679.65 for the quarter ended September 30, 2023.
- 3. Pension Board Reports and Actions
 - a. Approve return to work status for TCERA retiree Sherry Gurrola.

Motion to approve Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion: Vasquez Second: Polk

Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. EDUCATION ITEMS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding available educational events.

No Action

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Discussion and possible action regarding SACRS November 10, 2023, business meeting packet.

No Action

2. Certified Statement of Vote TCERA Election, October 24, 2023.

No Action

X. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 1. Board of Retirement Meeting November 15, 2023, 8:30 a.m. Note schedule change due to Thanksgiving holiday.
- 2. Administrative Committee Meeting November 15, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
- 3. Board of Retirement Meeting December 13, 2023, 8:30 a.m.
- 4. Trustee Education/Presentation Calendar Discussion and possible action.

No Action

XI. TRUSTEE/STAFF COMMMENTS

None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 a.m.

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Pete Vander Poel, Chair