## AGENDA

## THE MEETING OF THE

#### DISABILITY PROCEDURES AND SERVICES COMMITTEE and BOARD OF RETIREMENT\*

## LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

## 300 NORTH LAKE AVENUE, SUITE 810 PASADENA, CA 91101

## 9:00 A.M., THURSDAY, December 14, 2017 \*\*

The Committee may take action on any item on the agenda, and agenda items may be taken out of order.

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Vivian H. Gray, Chair Marvin Adams, Vice Chair Alan Bernstein Ronald Okum David Muir, Alternate

## I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- A. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of November 9, 2017
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT
- III. ACTION ITEMS
- IV. FOR INFORMATION
  - A. 2018 Educational Opportunities
- V. REPORT ON STAFF ACTION ITEMS
- VI. GOOD OF THE ORDER

(For information purposes only)

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE

#### DISABILITY PROCEDURES AND SERVICES COMMITTEE and Board of Retirement\*\*

#### LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

GATEWAY PLAZA - 300 N. LAKE AVENUE, SUITE 810, PASADENA, CA 91101

Thursday, November 9, 2017 12:30 P.M. – 12:51 P.M.

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

- PRESENT: Vivian H. Gray, Chair Marvin Adams, Vice Chair Ronald Okum David Muir, Alternate
- ABSENT: Alan Bernstein

#### ALSO ATTENDING:

#### **BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE**

Anthony Bravo Keith Knox William Pryor

#### STAFF, ADVISORS, PARTICIPANTS

JJ Popowich Steven Rice Vincent Lim Eugenia Der Mike Herrera Allison Barrett Frank Boyd Angie Guererro Maria Muro Michelle Yanes Karla Sarni Darren Huey Ricki Contreras Vickie Neely Anna Kwan Robert Hill Kerri Wilson Mario Garrido Marco Legaspi Marilu Bretado Thomas Wicke Hernan Barrientos Melena Sarkisian Maisha Coulter Maria Silva Jason Waller Tamara Caldwell Justin Stewart Ricardo Salinas Danny Hang Russell Lurina Amabelle Delin Redjan Bitri Debbie Semnanian Debra Martin Shamila Freeman Disability Procedures & Services Committee Page 2 of 3 November 9, 2017

## **ATTORNEYS**

## Thomas J. Wicke

#### GUEST SPEAKER None

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gray at 12:30 p.m.

## I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting of September 6, 2017

Mr. Okum made a motion, Mr. Adams seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 6, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

#### II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- III. ACTION ITEMS
  - A. Release of Psychiatric/Psychological Medical Records to Unrepresented Applicants

Mr. Muir made a motion, Mr. Okum seconded, that the Disability Procedures & Services Committee instruct staff to forward the Release of Psychiatric/Psychological Medical Records to Unrepresented Applicants Proposed Policy, with recommended changes, to the Board of Retirement for final adoption. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Proposed Panel Physician Guidelines

Mr. Okum made a motion, Mr. Adams seconded, that the Disability Procedures & Services Committee instruct staff to forward the Proposed Panel Physician Guidelines to the Board of Retirement for final adoption. The motion passed unanimously. C. Consider Application of Frank Guellich, M.D., as a LACERA Panel Physician

Mr. Muir made a motion, Mr. Adams seconded, to approve to accept staff's recommendation and submit the application of Frank Guellich, M.D. to the Board of Retirement for approval to the LACERA Panel of Examining Physicians. The motion passed unanimously.

## IV. FOR INFORMATION

A. Aging Report on Cases 18 Months and Older

Committee members thanked staff for putting this report together and acknowledged the hard work put into the report.

## V. REPORT ON STAFF ACTION ITEMS

Committee Members requested for staff to add language on page 9 of memorandum "RELEASE OF PSYCHIATRIC/PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICAL RECORDS TO UNREPRESENTED APPLICANTS" under section of the memorandum titled "Notification of the Applicant's Right to Obtain a Court Order" to include "...and to request recovery of attorney fees and costs" and submit to the Board of Retirement with said change.

- VI. GOOD OF THE ORDER
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Disability Procedures and Services Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

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December 1, 2017

- TO: Disability Procedures & Services Committee Vivian H. Gray, Chair Marvin Adams, Vice Chair Alan Bernstein Ronald Okum David Muir, Alternate
- FROM: Ricki Contreras, Division Manager Disability Retirement Services
- FOR: December 14, 2017 Disability Procedures and Services Committee Meeting

## SUBJECT: EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Each year the Disability Procedures and Services Committee are presented with a list of training topics to consider for the upcoming year. Listed below are several topics previously suggested by staff and the Committee. Additional suggestions are welcome. Please review and instruct staff on what topics you would like to have presented for the Calendar Year 2018.

## What happens after the Board of Retirement grants a disability retirement pension?

#### The Four Presumptions Under CERL

- Heart Presumption
- Cancer Presumption
- Blood-borne infection disease presumption
- Biochemical substance presumption

Termination for Cause

**Good Faith Personnel Actions** 

The Going and Coming Rule

Intemperate Use of Alcohol

**Refusal of Surgery** 

Salary Supplement – A detailed discussion of the benefit and payment process

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# Medical Topics presented by Physician – Solicitation of Topics from Members of the Board of Retirement

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NOTED AND REVIEWED:

opowich, Assistant Executive Officer