

# APPROVED

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
INSURANCE, BENEFITS & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
and  
BOARD OF RETIREMENT\*

LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION  
GATEWAY PLAZA - 300 N. LAKE AVENUE, SUITE 810, PASADENA, CA 91101

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2022, 8:30 A.M. – 8:48 A.M.

This meeting was conducted by the Insurance, Benefits & Legislative Committee by teleconference under the Governor's Executive Order No. N-29-20.

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PRESENT: Les Robbins, Chair  
Vivian H. Gray, Vice Chair (*arrived at 8:37 a.m.*)  
Wayne Moore, Alternate

ABSENT: Shawn R. Kehoe

## ALSO ATTENDING:

### BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE

Alan Bernstein  
JP Harris  
Keith Knox  
William Pryor  
Antonio Sanchez  
Herman B. Santos

### STAFF, ADVISORS, PARTICIPANTS

Cassandra Smith, Director, Retiree Healthcare  
Santos H. Kreimann, Chief Executive Officer  
Luis Lugo, Deputy Chief Executive Officer  
JJ Popowich, Assistant Executive Officer  
Laura Guglielmo, Assistant Executive Officer  
Steven Rice, Chief Counsel  
Barry W. Lew, Legislative Affairs Officer

Stephen Murphy, Vice President  
Segal Consulting

Richard Ward, Sr. Vice President  
Segal Consulting

STAFF, ADVISORS, PARTICIPANTS (continued)

Stephanie Messier, Vice President  
Segal Consulting

Michael Szeto, Senior Actuarial Associate  
Segal Consulting

The meeting was called to order by Chair Robbins at 8:30 a.m. The Chair announced that Mr. Moore, as the alternate, would be a voting member of the Committee.

As there was no quorum until later in the meeting, items I-A.-Approval of the Minutes and III-A.-Consent Items were taken out of order following section IV.-For Information.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Approval of the minutes of the special meeting of December 1, 2021

Mr. Moore made a motion, Ms. Gray seconded, to approve the minutes of the special meeting of December 1, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

III. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Recommendation as submitted by Steven P. Rice, Chief Counsel: That, under AB 361 and Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) of the Brown Act, the Insurance, Benefits & Legislative Committee (IBLC) consider whether to find that the Governor's COVID-19 State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the IBLC to meet safely in person and that the County of Los Angeles and other agencies still recommend social distancing such that the IBLC shall hold teleconference meetings for the next 30 days, and if so, direct staff to comply with the agenda and public comment requirements of the statute. (Memorandum dated December 27, 2021)

Ms. Gray made a motion, Mr. Moore seconded, to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. FOR INFORMATION

- A. Engagement Report for December 2021  
Barry W. Lew, Legislative Affairs Officer

The engagement report was discussed.

- B. Staff Activities Report for December 2021  
Cassandra Smith, Director, Retiree Healthcare

The staff activities report was discussed.

- C. LACERA Claims Experience  
Stephen Murphy, Segal Consulting

The LACERA Claims Experience reports through November 2021 were discussed.

- D. Federal Legislation  
Stephen Murphy, Segal Consulting  
*(for discussion purposes)*

Segal Consulting gave an update on federal legislation.

V. ITEMS FOR STAFF REVIEW

There was nothing to report.

VI. GOOD OF THE ORDER

(For information purposes only)

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

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