

**SONOMA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION
RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

In accordance with Executive Orders N-29-20 and N-08-21 the September 23, 2021 Sonoma County Employees' Retirement Association Retirement Board meeting will be held virtually.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY NOT ATTEND THIS MEETING IN PERSON

Thursday, September 23, 2021
9:00 a.m.

The September 23, 2021 Sonoma County Employees' Retirement Association Retirement Board meeting will be facilitated virtually through WebEx Meetings.

Members of the public can watch or listen to the meeting using one of the two following methods:

1. Join the WebEx meeting application on your computer, tablet or smartphone:

<https://sonomacounty.webex.com/sonomacounty/j.php?MTID=m07aeb20adb963f87037eab0911c3bc09>

2. Call-in and listen to the meeting:

Dial 1 (408) 418-9388

Enter meeting ID: 2496 457 8092

Enter password: 9232021

PUBLIC COMMENT PRIOR TO THE MEETING

Email Public Comment: To submit an emailed public comment to the Board, in advance of the meeting, email rebecca.gay@sonoma-county.org by 7:30 a.m., September 23, 2021. Please provide your name, the number of the agenda item(s) on which you wish to speak, and your comment. These comments will be provided to the Board members prior to the start of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THE MEETING

Public Comment Using WebEx: Members of the public who join the WebEx meeting, either through the WebEx app or by calling in, will be able to provide live public comment for each agenda item, after the Board and staff have provided their comments.

Non-confidential materials distributed with the agenda packet and/or related to an item on this agenda submitted to SCERA after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection electronically. Please send an email request for non-confidential materials to julia.smith@sonoma-county.org.

DISABLED ACCOMMODATION: If you have a disability which requires an accommodation, an alternative format, or requires another person to assist you while attending this meeting, please contact the

Retirement Office at (707) 565-8100, at least 72 hours in advance to ensure arrangements for accommodations.

The public may address the Board of Retirement regarding any agenda item during the Board's consideration of the item. The Retirement Board maintains and reserves the right to take action on any item agendaed for discussion.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR

All agenda items on the Consent calendar will be approved in a single motion unless a Trustee, staff member or member of the public requests separate action on a specific item.

- A. Meeting Minutes – August 19, 2021 Retirement Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Active Member Death Benefits

Recommendation: Approve Consent Calendar items A through B.

II. REGULAR CALENDAR

- A. Correction of Benefit Payment Error
- B. Audit Contract Discussion

Recommendation: Approve a 2-year extension of the Brown Armstrong audit contract.

- C. Operations Update
 - 1. Recruitment
 - 2. Building

- D. SACRS Proxy Designation
- E. Planning Session – New Date
- F. Teleconference Requirements – Future Board Meetings during COVID State of Emergency

Recommendation: Continue meeting via teleconference pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e) during the proclaimed COVID state of emergency to ensure the safety of the Board, SCERA staff and attendees until either the proclaimed COVID state of emergency is no longer active or attendance in person can be safely achieved.

- G. Trustee/Staff Training & Conferences

Notify Julia Smith if you plan to attend any future event. Please note, if out of state travel to attend a conference is not approved in the Budget, separate approval from the Board must be obtained prior to attending the conference.

1. SACRS Summer Series Webinar, What is Really Happening on the Ground in Major Real Estate Markets, August 24, 2021, 9:30 to 10:30. Trustee Balzarini attended and will report out.
2. CALAPRS Principles of Pension Governance, September 28 to October 1, 2021, virtual or Pepperdine Graziadio Executive Center, Malibu, CA. Trustee Eaton is attending.
3. CALAPRS Virtual Trustee Roundtable, October 29, 2021, 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
4. SACRS Fall Conference, November 9 to 12, 2021, Loews Hollywood Hotel, Hollywood, CA. Trustees Roeser and Williams are attending.

H. Communications

1. Service Retirements
2. Trustee Terms Ending & Election Schedule
3. SACRS September 2021 Legislative Update
4. Venteicher, Wes, "CalPERS sent pension checks to more than 20,000 dead people over several years, audit says", Sacramento Bee, September 15, 2021

III. GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEMS

Opportunity to advise the Board of new matters and for Trustees to ask questions for clarification, provide information to staff, request staff to report back on a matter or direct staff to place a matter on a subsequent agenda.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity for public comment on non-agenda items within the jurisdiction of the Retirement Board.

The Board of Retirement will move into Executive Session and close the meeting to all attendees who are not necessary for the determination of a disability retirement. While the meeting is closed, those attendees will be placed into the WebEx lobby by the WebEx host and will not hear or see the meeting. The WebEx screen will indicate that the attendees are in the lobby and, if still present, will be re-connected to the meeting once the Board returns to open session.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Executive Session. Meeting closed pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b) to consider the employment status and evaluation of performance of a SCERA member or members as concerns eligibility for a disability retirement.

Disability Committee Chair will provide the recommendations made by the Committee at the September 23, 2021 meeting.

Applications for review:

GIDGET SLYKER, Cook filed 12/29/20 for a service connected disability retirement. Consideration under Government Code Section 31724 (date allowance becomes effective) is requested.

The Board of Retirement will move out of Executive Session and reopen the meeting to all WebEx attendees who were placed in the lobby during the closed session period.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT OUT – OPEN SESSION

VII. NOTICE OF NEXT MEETINGS

All meetings are held at SCERA in the Board Room at 433 Aviation Boulevard, Suite 100, Santa Rosa, CA, or virtually via WebEx unless otherwise noted.

Investment Committee
Thursday, September 30, 2021
8:30 a.m.

Disability Committee
Thursday, October 21, 2021
8:30 a.m.

Retirement Board
Thursday, October 21, 2021
9:00 a.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT