

SONOMA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD

DISABILITY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, January 17, 2019
8:30 a.m.

Presiding: Chair John Pels.

Present: Trustees Michael Gossman, Joe Tambe, Brian Williams, and Bob Williamson; Alternate Retiree Trustee Neil Baker; Chief Executive Officer Julie Wyne; Assistant Chief Executive Officer Kelly Jenkins; Chief Retirement Counsel Dave Lantzer; and Member Services Manager Jackie Purter.

I. ELECTION OF CHAIR

The committee will select a Chair by majority vote of the members.

Motion was made by Trustee Williams, seconded by Trustee Gossman to select Trustee Pels as Committee Chair. The motion carried 5-0-0-0 with voting as follows:

<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mr. Gossman			
Mr. Pels			
Mr. Tambe			
Mr. Williams			
Mr. Williamson			

II. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the November 29, 2018 Minutes.

Motion was made by Trustee Tambe, seconded by Trustee Williamson to approve the November 29, 2018 Disability Committee Meeting Minutes. The motion carried 5-0-0-0 with voting as follows:

<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mr. Gossman			
Mr. Pels			
Mr. Tambe			
Mr. Williams			
Mr. Williamson			

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Committee met in closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b) to consider the employment status and evaluation of performance of SCERA members as concerns eligibility for disability retirement and reinstatement to active membership.

A. APPLICATIONS FOR COMMITTEE ACTION:

1. MITCHELL MANA, Sergeant filed 04/30/18 for a service connected disability retirement.

Motion was made by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Williamson to recommend that Mr. Mana be granted a service connected disability. The motion carried 5-0-0-0 with voting as follows:

<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mr. Gossman			
Mr. Pels			
Mr. Tambe			
Mr. Williams			
Mr. Williamson			

2. JOEL PEDERSEN, Deputy Sheriff II filed 05/21/18 for a service connected disability retirement.

Motion was made by Trustee Williams and seconded by Trustee Williamson to recommend that Mr. Pedersen be granted a service connected disability. The motion carried 5-0-0-0 with voting as follows:

<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mr. Gossman			
Mr. Pels			
Mr. Tambe			
Mr. Williams			
Mr. Williamson			

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION, continued

A. APPLICATIONS FOR COMMITTEE ACTION, continued:

3. FERNANDO HUIJON, Correctional Deputy II filed 06/29/18 for a service connected disability retirement.

Motion was made by Trustee Tambe and seconded by Trustee Williams to recommend that Mr. Huijon be granted a service connected disability. The motion carried 5-0-0-0 with voting as follows:

<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Mr. Gossman			
Mr. Pels			
Mr. Tambe			
Mr. Williams			
Mr. Williamson			

B. DISCUSSION:

Reviewed the January 2019 Disability Report.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

Chief Counsel Dave Lantzer reported out in open session that the Committee unanimously recommended granting a service connected disability retirement for Sergeant Mitchell Mana, Deputy Sheriff II Joel Pedersen, and Correctional Deputy II Fernando Huijon.

V. GENERAL DISCUSSION MATTERS

None.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

VII. NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting is for Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. in the SCERA Board Room located at 433 Aviation Boulevard, Suite 100 in Santa Rosa, CA.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 a.m.

JOHN PELS, CHAIR

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