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BOARD OF RETIREMENT MINUTES

August 10, 2011

Members Present: Maria De Anda, Gordon Ford, Darin Gharat, Jeff Grover, Ron Martin, and Donna Riley

Members Absent: *Jim DeMartini, Mike Lynch, and Michael O'Neal*

Alternate Member Absent: *Joan Clendenin, (Alternate Retiree Representative)*

Staff Present: Tom Watson, Retirement Administrator
Kelly Cerny, Executive Secretary
Kathy Herman, Projects Manager

Others Present: Fred Silva, General Legal Counsel

1. Meeting called to order at 1:59 p.m. by Darin Gharat, Chair-Pro Tem.

J. Grover arrived at 2:00 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

3. **Announcements**

Ms. De Anda announced she met with the County's unions last week. It was a question and answer forum to provide general information similar to what the media has requested.

4. **Public Comment**

None.

5. **Consent Items**

Motion was made by Maria De Anda and seconded by Ron Martin to approve the following items as listed.

Motion carried.

- a. Approval of the July 26, 2011, Investment Meeting Minutes
- b. Approval of Service Retirement(s) – **Sections 31499.14, 31670, 31662.2 & 31810**
 - 1. Dorene Anderson, BHRS, Effective 08-06-11
 - 2. Don Ewoldt, Sheriff, Effective 08-01-11
 - 3. Dwight Horning, HSA, Effective 07-30-11
 - 4. Rhonda Mesenbrink, BHRS, Effective 08-12-11
 - 5. Barry Myers, Sheriff, Effective 08-04-11
 - 6. Jeanne Nelson, CSA, Effective 08-03-11
 - 7. Leigh Ann Parker, CSA, Effective 08-18-11
 - 8. Michele Petersen, CSA, Effective 06-06-11
 - 9. Rebecca Robinson, CSA, Effective 08-02-11
 - 10. James Stephen, City of Ceres, Effective 08-20-11
 - 11. Barbara Von Dohlen, Cooperative Extension, Effective 08-20-11
- d. Approval of Deferred Retirement(s) – **Section 31700**
 - 1. Aric Bright, County Counsel, Effective 09-18-10
 - 2. Ray Jackson, CEO-OES, Effective 06-21-11
 - 3. Abel C.K. Hung, District Attorney, Effective 02-26-11
 - 4. Thomas O. Lawrence III, Sheriff, Effective 07-09-11
 - 5. Richard Woodward, Environmental Resources, Effective 07-02-11

6. **Correspondence**

- a. Public Records Request and Response – Los Angeles Times (Information Only)

7. **Committee Reports & Recommendations and Action**

STANDING COMMITTEES

- a. Internal Governance Committee – Maria De Anda, Chair
 - i. Discussion and Action on Attendance and Travel Costs for the Public Policy Institute of California’s 2011 Speaker Series on California’s Future, “A Conversation with State Treasurer Bill Lockyer,” August 24, 2011, San Francisco, CA

Mr. Gharat requested that those who may attend the Public Policy Institute event, or any other one day educational opportunity, to provide the Board with a report on the educational value of the event. Ms. De Anda concurred that any educational opportunity Board members attend that a report should be given to the Board.

Motion was made by Ron Martin and seconded by Donna Riley to approve attendance and travel costs for the Public Policy Institute of California’s 2011 Speaker Series on California’s Future, “A Conversation with State Treasurer Bill Lockyer,” August 24, 2011, San Francisco, CA

Motion carried.

8. **Closed Session**

No Closed Session.

9. **Members' Forum (Information and Future Agenda Requests Only)**

Ms. De Anda requested a future agenda item to discuss whether it is time the Board issues another opinion editorial on the pension fund, as was done by the Board a few years ago. Ms. De Anda stated that in light of all the pension reform legislation currently under debate, and after speaking with the unions, there appears to be a need for education about how the fund operates.

10. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Tom Watson, Retirement Administrator

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
FRED A. SILVA, GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL



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