

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
LOS ANGELES CITY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

In accordance with Government Code Section 54953, subsections (e)(1) and (e)(3), and in light of the State of Emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020 relating to COVID-19 and ongoing concerns that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees and/or that the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person, the LACERS Benefits Administration February 22, 2022 meeting will be conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

February 22, 2022

9:01 a.m.

PRESENT via Videoconferencing:	Chair:	Michael R. Wilkinson
	Committee Member:	Annie Chao
	Commissioners:	Elizabeth Lee Nilza R. Serrano Sung Won Sohn
	Manager-Secretary:	Neil M. Guglielmo
	Legal Counselor:	Miguel Bahamon Anya Freedman
	Executive Assistant:	Ani Ghoukassian
ABSENT:	Committee Member:	Sandra Lee

The Items in the Minutes are numbered to correspond with the Agenda.

Commissioners Elizabeth Lee, Serrano, and Sohn joined the meeting, this is considered a Special Meeting of the Board of Administration. Any votes will be taken by Benefits Administration Committee members only.

I

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION AND COMMENTS ON ANY SPECIFIC MATTERS ON THE AGENDA
PRESS *9 TO RAISE HAND DURING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – Chair Wilkinson asked if any persons wished to speak on matters within the Committee's jurisdiction, to which there was no response.

II

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 26, 2021 AND POSSIBLE COMMITTEE ACTION – Committee Member Chao moved approval, adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Committee Member Chao and Chair Wilkinson -2; Nays, None.

Item IV taken out of order.

IV

ANTHEM TRANSITION – VERBAL UPDATE – Neil M. Guglielmo, General Manager, Karen Freire, Chief Benefits Analyst, and Michele Guilford and Kourtney Enriquez, with Anthem, and Erin Robinson with Keenan and Associates presented and discussed this item with the Committee for 35 minutes. Chair Wilkinson requested staff bring this item back to the Committee with any feedback from members on this transition.

III

BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION RESOURCE NEEDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 – Neil M. Guglielmo, General Manager, Dale Wong-Nguyen, Assistant General Manager, Karen Freire, Chief Benefits Analyst, Ferralyn Sneed, Chief Benefits Analyst, Stephanie Smith, Senior Project Coordinator, Edeliza Fang, Senior Benefits Analyst II, and Delia Hernandez, Senior Benefits Analyst II, discussed and presented this item with the Committee for 30 minutes.

Chair Wilkinson recessed the Special Meeting at 10:04 a.m., to reconvene immediately after the adjournment of the Regular Board Meeting.

At 11:07 a.m., Chair Wilkinson reconvened the Special Meeting as a Benefits Administration Committee Meeting, as a quorum of Committee members were present: Chair Wilkinson and Committee Member Chao, Assistant City Attorney Anya Freedman was also present for the reconvened meeting. Staff and Committee Members continued to discuss Item III for 45 minutes. The Committee provided staff with input and direction on proceeding with this request.

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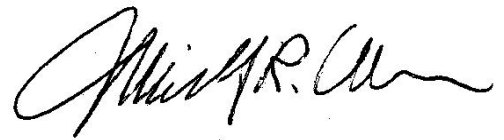
OTHER BUSINESS –There was no other business.

VI

NEXT MEETING: The next Benefits Administration Committee meeting is not scheduled at this time, and will be announced upon scheduling. Please continue to view the LACERS website for updated information on public access to Board/Committee meetings while responding to public health concerns relating to the novel coronavirus continue.

VII

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business before the Committee, Chair Wilkinson adjourned the Meeting at 11:46 a.m.



Michael R. Wilkinson
Chair



Neil M. Guglielmo
Manager-Secretary