

## **AGENDA**

### **THE MEETING OF THE**

### **DISABILITY PROCEDURES AND SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**and**

### **BOARD OF RETIREMENT\***

### **LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION**

**300 North Lake Avenue, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Board Room  
Pasadena, CA 91101**

**October 2, 2013 - 9:00 a.m. \*\***

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Marvin Adams, Chair  
Ed C. Morris, Vice Chair  
Alan Bernstein  
Yves Chery  
Shawn Kehoe, Alternate

#### **I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

A. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 4, 2013

#### **II. PUBLIC COMMENT**

#### **III. ACTION ITEMS**

A. Consider Application of Raffi Mesrobian, M.D. as LACERA Panel Physician

B. Consider Application of Marta Recasens, M.D. as LACERA Panel Physician

#### **IV. FOR INFORMATION**

A. Discussion on the role of obesity in the investigator and medical reports  
(at the request of Mr. Bernstein)

#### **V. MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **VI. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

(For information purposes only)

#### **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
DISABILITY PROCEDURES AND SERVICES COMMITTEE  
and  
Board of Retirement\*\*

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

OCTOBER 2, 2013 12:28 P.M. – 12:58 P.M.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

PRESENT: Marvin Adams, Chair  
Ed C. Morris, Vice Chair  
Yves Chery  
Alan Bernstein  
Shawn Kehoe, Alternate

ABSENT: NONE

**ALSO ATTENDING:**

BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE

William de la Garza  
Vivian H. Gray  
Sadonya Antebi

STAFF, ADVISORS, PARTICIPANTS

Gregg Rademacher  
Eugenia Der  
Frank Boyd  
JJ Popowich  
JorjaFrank  
Robb Van Der Volgen  
Hernan Barrientos  
Angie Guerrero  
Darren Huey  
Shamila Freeman

Justin Stewart  
Maisha Coulter  
Mercie Martinez  
Barbara Tuncay  
Barry Lew  
Nichelle Porter  
Tamara Caldwell  
Maria Muro  
Debra Martin  
Russell Lurina

Anna Kwan  
Ricardo Salinas  
Karla Sarni  
Penelope Huerta  
Vickie Neely  
Laura Delgado  
Danny Hang  
Debbie Semnanian  
Kerri Wilson

ATTORNEYS

Thomas J. Wicke  
Allison Barrett

GUEST SPEAKER

NONE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Adams at 12:28 p.m.

- I. APPOINTMENT OF VOTING MEMBER(S) IN THE EVENT ONE OR MORE REGULAR COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE ABSENT
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2013

Mr. Morris motioned and Mr. Chery seconded to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 4, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

III. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Consider Application of Raffi Mesrobian, M.D. as LACERA Panel Physician

The application of Raffi Mesrobian, M.D., was presented to the Committee for review. Dr. Campese advised the Board within the next few months he could assist staff with identifying additional qualified physicians for the LACERA physician panel. Mrs. Frank advised the Board and Dr. Campese of the specialties that staff is currently trying to add to the physician panel.

A motion was made by Mr. Kehoe and seconded by Mr. Chery to accept staff's recommendation and submit the application to the Board of Retirement for approval to the LACERA Panel of Examining Physicians. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Consider Application of Marta Recasens, M.D. as LACERA Panel Physician

The application of Marta Recasens, M.D., was presented to the Committee for review. Mr. Kehoe stated his concerns with Dr. Recasens three month experience in evaluating disability cases. Staff advised the Committee that Dr. Recasens was a recommended and would work closely with her and are in the process of searching for additional Ophthalmologist.

A motion was made by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. Chery to accept staff's recommendation and submit the application to the Board of Retirement for approval to the LACERA Panel of Examining Physicians. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. FOR INFORMATION

- A. Discussion on the role of obesity in the investigator and medical reports (at the request of Mr. Bernstein)

Discussion of obesity and impact on disabling condition was had. Consideration to be given for 2 year review process. Mrs. Frank advised the Committee that staff would bring this item back to the Committee for further review and discussion.

V. MISCELLANEOUS (Discussion)

VI. GOOD OF THE ORDER

VII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Disability Procedures and Services Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

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