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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE INSURANCE, BENEFITS &

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF RETIREMENT*

LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

300 N. LAKE AVENUE, SUITE 810, PASADENA, CA 91101

8:32 A.M. – 9:02 A.M., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2026

This meeting was conducted by the Insurance, Benefits & Legislative Committee both in person and by teleconference under California Government Code Section 54953.8.3.

COMMITTEE TRUSTEES

PRESENT: Aleen Langton, Vice Chair

Shawn R. Kehoe, Trustee *(arrived at 8:55 a.m.)*

Ernesto J. Pantoja, Trustee

ABSENT; Jason E. Green, Alternate Trustee

Les Robbins, Chair

OTHER BOARD OF RETIREMENT TRUSTEES

Elizabeth Ginsberg, Trustee *(arrived at 8:42 a.m.)*

J.P. Harris, Trustee

Wayne Moore, Trustee

STAFF, ADVISORS AND PARTICIPANTS

Cassandra Smith, Director, Retiree Healthcare

Luis A. Lugo, Chief Executive Officer

STAFF, ADVISORS AND PARTICIPANTS (Continued)

JJ Popowich, Chief Benefits Officer

Jessica Baxter, Chief Administrative Officer

Barry W. Lew, Legislative Affairs Officer

Tionna Fredericks, Section Head, Retiree Healthcare

Erika Heru, Creative Coordinator, Communications

Stephen Murphy, Sr. Vice President, Segal Consulting

I. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order by Chair Langton at 8:32 a.m.

II. PROCEDURE FOR TELECONFERENCE MEETING ATTENDANCE UNDER SB 707

A. Just Cause (Section 54953.8.3)
B. Statement of Persons Present at SB 707 Teleconference Locations

There were no requests received.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 1, 2026

Trustee Kehoe made a motion, Trustee Langton seconded, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 1, 2026. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Langton, Kehoe, Pantoja

No: None

Absent: Robbins, Green

*(This Item was handled out of order, after Item V-E.)*

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no requests from the public to speak.

V. REPORTS

A. **Engagement Report for July 2026**
Barry W. Lew, Legislative Affairs Officer
(For Information Only)

The engagement report was discussed. This item was received and filed.

B. **Strategic Plan 1.4 – Improving the Member Retiree Healthcare Experience**
Tionna Fredericks, Section Head, Retiree Healthcare
(For Information Only) (Memo dated July 23, 2026)

Ms. Fredericks provided an update on the Retiree Healthcare fall 2026 member survey initiative under Strategic Plan 1.4. This item was received and filed.

C. **Staff Activities Report for July 2026**
Cassandra Smith, Director, Retiree Healthcare
(For Information Only)

The staff activities report was discussed. This item was received and filed.

D. **LACERA Claims Experience**
Stephen Murphy, Segal Consulting
(Presentation)

The LACERA Claims Experience reports through June 2026 were discussed. This item was received and filed.

E. **Federal Legislation**
Stephen Murphy, Segal Consulting
(For Information Only)

Segal Consulting gave an update on federal legislation. This item was received and filed.

VI. ITEMS FOR STAFF REVIEW

(This item summarizes requests and suggestions by individual trustees during the meeting for consideration by staff. These requests and suggestions do not constitute approval or formal action by the Board, which can only be made separately by motion on an agendized item at a future meeting.)

Trustee Harris suggested including a question re the respondent's age range in the Retiree Healthcare member survey.

VII. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

(This item provides an opportunity for trustees to identify items to be included on a future agenda as permitted under the Board's Regulations.)

There was nothing to report.

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER

(For Information Purposes Only)

There was nothing to report.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 a.m.

***The Board of Retirement has adopted a policy permitting any member of the Board to attend a standing committee meeting open to the public. In the event five or more members of the Board of Retirement (including members appointed to the Committee) are in attendance, the meeting shall constitute a joint meeting of the Committee and the Board of Retirement. Members of the Board of Retirement who are not members of the Committee may attend and participate in a meeting of a Board Committee but may not vote on any matter discussed at the meeting. The only action the Committee may take at the meeting is approval of a recommendation to take further action at a subsequent meeting of the Board.**