



## **RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

REGULAR MEETING  
April 1, 2026  
9:00 a.m.

Board Conference Room  
1200 Concord Avenue, Suite 350  
Concord, California

Present: Candace Andersen, Dennis Chebotarev, Donald Finley, Scott Gordon, Jerry Holcombe, Louie Kroll, David MacDonald, Dan Mierzwa, John Phillips, Mike Sloan, and Samson Wong

Absent: Jay Kwon

Staff: Christina Dunn, Chief Executive Officer; Karen Levy, General Counsel; and Ryan Luis, Retirement Services Manager

Outside Professional Support:  
None

Representing:

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Board, staff and audience joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Accept comments from the Public**

No member of the public offered comment.

**3A. Consent Items:**

It was **M/S/C** to approve all consent items. (Yes: Andersen, Chebotarev, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, and Wong)

**3B. Consider and take possible action on Consent Items if previously removed, if any**

No action taken on this item.

**4. Presentation of Annual Disability Retirement Report**

Elise Diliberto and Luis shared a presentation of the Annual Disability Retirement report.

5. **Consider and take possible action to waive the 180 day waiting period for Son Lu, former Information Technology Manager and find that the appointment of retiree Mr. Lu is necessary to fill a critically needed position and approve the hiring of Mr. Lu as a temporary Information Technology Manager for the period of April 1, 2026 through July 1, 2026**

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(Yes: Andersen, Chebotarev, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, and Wong)

6. **Consider and take possible action on SACRS Board of Directors Election**

It was **M/S/C** to nominate the SACRS Nominating Committee's recommended slate for the upcoming SACRS Board of Directors elections and direct our voting member to vote as such. (Yes: Andersen, Chebotarev, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, and Wong)

7. **Consider authorizing the attendance of Board:**

- a. It was **M/S/C** to approve all Board members to attend CALAPRS Trustees Round Table May 29, 2026, Virtual. (Yes: Andersen, Chebotarev, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, and Wong)

8. **Reports**

- a. Trustee reports on meetings, seminars, and conferences – Gordon and MacDonald reported on the NASP Conference, March 19, 2026, stating it was good to interact with other trustees from different systems.
- b. Staff reports – Dunn stated the total retirement applications for March 2026 was 142. She also noted that a survey about CCCERA was sent to active members on March 31, 2026.

Levy provided a legislative update.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Board moved into closed session pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54957 to consider recommendations from the medical advisor and/or staff regarding disability retirement applications.

The Board moved into open session and reported the following:

**9. Disability Applications:**

It was **M/S/C** to accept the Medical Advisor's recommendation and grant the following disability benefits:

- a. Dennis Jerge – Service Connected (Yes: Andersen, Chebotarev, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, and Wong)
- b. Jaspreet Singh – Service Connected (Yes: Andersen, Chebotarev, Finley, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Mierzwa, and Phillips)
- c. Jack Thomson – Service Connected (Yes: Chebotarev, Finley, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Mierzwa, and Phillips. No: Andersen and Gordon)

**10.** The next meeting is currently scheduled for May 6, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

It was **M/S/C** to adjourn the meeting. (Yes: Andersen, Chebotarev, Gordon, Holcombe, Kroll, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, and Wong)

  
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Scott W. Gordon, Chairperson

  
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Jerry R. Holcombe, Secretary