SONOMA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD
DISABILITY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, June 18, 2026
8:34 a.m.

Presiding: Bob Williamson, Chair

Present: Trustees Neil Baker, Amos Eaton, Jared Gonce and John Hadzess; Chief Executive Officer Julie Wyne; Assistant CEO/Chief Legal Officer Cristina Hess, Staff Attorney John Salvestrin, Member Services Manager Julia Smith, Department Analyst Michelle Johnson, and Administrative Aide Andrea Robles

Public comments were solicited prior to the meeting by emailing Julia.Smith@sonomacounty.gov. Members of the public who joined the Zoom meeting via the Zoom app or by calling in, were able to provide live public comment for each agenda item, after the Board and staff provided their comments.

Committee Chair Bob Williamson confirmed with Member Services Manager Julia Smith that no public comments had been received prior to the meeting.

Committee members are Trustees Neil Baker, Amos Eaton, Jared Gonce, John Hadzess, and Bob Williamson.

I. MINUTES APPROVAL

Disability Committee Meeting Minutes – May 21, 2026

Recommendation: Approve the May 21, 2026, Disability Committee Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Trustee Gonce, seconded by Trustee Baker, to approve the May 21, 2026, Disability Committee Meeting Minutes. The motion carried 5-0-0-0 with voting as follows:

Mr. Baker	Aye
Mr. Eaton	Aye
Mr. Gonce	Aye
Mr. Hadzess	Aye
Mr. Williamson	Aye

The Disability Committee moved into Executive Session and closed the meeting to all attendees who were not necessary for the determination of a disability retirement or consideration of a public employee performance evaluation. Those in person attendees physically exited the Board room and attendees on Zoom were placed in a virtual waiting room, with the Board room camera and microphone turned off so they neither heard nor saw the meeting. All in person and Zoom attendees were re-admitted to the meeting when the Committee returned to open session.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Meeting closed pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b) to consider the employment status and evaluation of performance of a SCERA member or members as concerns eligibility for disability retirement or reinstatement to active membership.

A. Applications for Committee Action:

1. DOMINIC TAURIAN, Correctional Sergeant, filed 11/06/2025, for a service-connected disability retirement.

Trustee Baker moved, seconded by Trustee Hadzess, that the Committee vote to recommend to the full Board, that Dominic Taurian, Correctional Sergeant, be granted a service-connected disability retirement. The motion carried 5-0-0-0 with voting as follows:

Mr. Baker	Aye
Mr. Eaton	Aye
Mr. Gonce	Aye
Mr. Hadzess	Aye
Mr. Williamson	Aye

B. Discussion:

The June 2026 Disability Report was reviewed by the committee. A discussion ensued regarding pending cases.

The Disability Committee moved out of Executive Session and reopened the meeting to all in-person and Zoom attendees that were locked out during the closed session period.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT OUT – OPEN SESSION

Chair Williamson reported the Committee voted to recommend to the full Board that Dominic Taurian, Correctional Sergeant, be granted a service-connected disability retirement. The vote was unanimous.

IV. GENERAL DISCUSSION MATTERS

Opportunity was given to advise the Disability Committee of new matters and for Committee members to ask questions for clarification, provide information to staff, request staff to report back on a matter, or to direct staff to place a matter on a subsequent agenda.

There were no general discussion matters.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity was given for public comment on non-agenda items within the jurisdiction of the Disability Committee.

There were no public comments.

VI. NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, July 23, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. in the SCERA Board Room located at 433 Aviation Boulevard, Suite 100 in Santa Rosa, CA, and facilitated through Zoom.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 8:53 a.m.

VIII. APPROVAL

The above minutes of the Disability Committee meeting on June 18, 2026, were approved at the Disability Committee meeting on July 23, 2026

BOB WILLIAMSON, CHAIR