SONOMA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD
DISABILITY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, February 26, 2026
8:32 a.m.

Presiding:	Chair Bob Williamson
Present:	Trustees Neil Baker, Jared Gonce and John Hadzess; Chief Executive Officer Julie Wyne; Assistant CEO/Chief Legal Officer Cristina Hess, Member Services Manager Wendy Serrano; Department Analyst Michelle Johnson; and Administrative Aide Julia Smith
Present via Zoom:	Trustee Amos Eaton appeared and then was absent at 8:47 a.m. due to SCERA technical difficulties

Assistant CEO/Chief Legal Counsel Cristina Hess asked Trustee Eaton if he had just cause pursuant to Government Code section 54953.83 to appear via teleconference and he indicated that he did. He also confirmed that no one over the age of 18 was present and that he would keep his camera and audio on.

Public comments were solicited prior to the meeting by emailing Wendy.Serrano@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 Wendy Serrano that no public comments had been received prior to the meeting.

I. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the January 22, 2026, Minutes.

Recommendation: Approve Minutes.

A motion was made by Trustee Gonce, seconded by Trustee Baker, to approve the January 22, 2026, Disability Committee Meeting Minutes. The motion carried 4-0-1-0 with voting as follows:

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

The Disability Committee moved into Executive Session and closed the meeting to all attendees that were not necessary for the determination of a disability retirement. Those attendees physically exited the Board room and attendees on Zoom were placed in a virtual waiting room, so they neither heard nor saw the meeting. All 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. ANNETTE URIBE, Correctional Deputy II, filed 12/24/24 for a service-connected disability retirement.
   A motion was made by Trustee Gonce and seconded by Trustee Baker, to recommend that Annette Uribe, Correctional Deputy II, be denied a service-connected disability retirement. The motion carried 4-0-0-1 with voting as follows:

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

2. ALEXIS LANDIS, Correctional Deputy I, filed 03/05/25 for a service-connected disability retirement.

   A motion was made by Trustee Hadzess and seconded by Trustee Gonce, to recommend that Alexis Landis, Correctional Deputy I, be denied a service-connected disability retirement. The motion carried 4-0-0-1 with voting as follows:

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

3. STEPHEN DASSEL, Correctional Deputy II, filed 03/20/25 for a service-connected disability retirement.

   A motion was made by Trustee Gonce and seconded by Trustee Hadzess, to recommend that Stephen Dassel, Correctional Deputy II, be granted a service-connected disability retirement. The motion carried 4-0-0-1 with voting as follows:

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

4. MICHAEL MILLER, Correctional Sargeant filed 04/16/25 for a service-connected disability retirement.

   A motion was made by Trustee Gonce and seconded by Trustee Hadzess, to recommend that Michael Miller, Correctional Sargeant, be granted a service-connected disability retirement. The motion carried 4-0-0-1 with voting as follows:

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

5. JEREMY HOUSER, Deputy Sheriff II, filed 05/16/25 for a service-connected disability retirement.

   A motion was made by Trustee Baker and seconded by Trustee Gonce, to recommend that Jeremy Houser, Deputy Sheriff II, be granted a service-connected disability retirement. The motion carried 4-0-0-1 with voting as follows:

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

B. Discussion:

Reviewed the February 2026 Disability Report.

The Disability Committee moved out of Executive Session and reopened the meeting to all attendees that were placed in a waiting room during the closed session period.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT OUT – OPEN SESSION

Chair Bob Williamson reported the Committee unanimously recommended to deny a service-connected disability retirement to Annette Uribe, Correctional Deputy II, and Alexis Landis, Correctional Deputy I. The Committee unanimously recommended to grant a service-connected disability retirement to Stephen Dassel, Correctional Deputy II, Michael Miller, Correctional Sargeant, and Jeremy Houser, Deputy Sheriff II.

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 items.

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, March 19, 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 9:14 a.m.

VIII. APPROVAL

The above minutes of the Disability Committee meeting on February 26, 2026, were approved at the Disability Committee meeting on April 23, 2026.

BOB WILLIAMSON, CHAIR