

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING**  
**BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**  
**LOS ANGELES CITY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

In accordance with Government Code Section 54953, subsections (e)(1) and (e)(3), and in light of the State of Emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020 relating to COVID-19 and ongoing concerns that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees and/or that the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person, the LACERS Benefits Administration January 24, 2023 meeting will be conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

January 24, 2023

9:31 a.m.

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PRESENT via Videoconferencing:	Chair:	Michael R. Wilkinson
	Committee Members:	Annie Chao Thuy Huynh
	Vice President:	Elizabeth Lee
	Commissioners:	Sung Won Sohn Janna Sidley
	Executive Assistant:	Ani Ghoukassian
	Legal Counselor:	Miguel Bahamon
	Manager-Secretary:	Neil M. Guglielmo

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*The Items in the Minutes are numbered to correspond with the Agenda.*

Commissioner Sohn and Commissioner Sidley joined the meeting at 9:53 a.m. and Vice President Lee joined the meeting at 9:56 a.m., and this was a Special Meeting of the Board of Administration. Any votes were taken by Benefits Administration Committee members only.

I

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION AND COMMENTS ON ANY SPECIFIC MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**  
**PRESS \*9 TO RAISE HAND DURING PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** – Chair Wilkinson asked if any persons wished to speak on matters within the Committee's jurisdiction, and there were no responses.

II

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2022 AND POSSIBLE COMMITTEE ACTION** – Committee Member Chao moved approval, adopted by the following vote: Ayes, Committee Members Chao, Huynh, and Chair Wilkinson -3; Nays, None.

III

HEALTH, WELLNESS, AND BUYBACK OPERATIONAL VERBAL UPDATE – Karen Freire, Chief Benefits Analyst, provided the Committee with an update and they discussed for 20 minutes.

Commissioner Sohn, Commissioner Sidley, and Vice President Lee joined the Meeting.

IV

PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER, ENHANCED BENEFITS VERBAL UPDATE – Ferralyn Sneed, Chief Benefits Analyst, provided the Committee with an update and they discussed for 5 minutes.

V

OTHER BUSINESS –There was no other business.

VI

NEXT MEETING: The next Benefits Administration Committee meeting is not scheduled at this time, and will be announced upon scheduling. Please continue to view the LACERS website for updated information on public access to Board/Committee meetings while responding to public health concerns relating to the novel coronavirus continue.

VII

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business before the Committee, Chair Wilkinson adjourned the Meeting at 9:59 a.m.



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Michael R. Wilkinson  
Chair



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Neil M. Guglielmo  
Manager-Secretary