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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY MERIT BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

February 26, 2019

**Presiding
Staff**

Members Present

Charles Kreling

Stacey Durocher

**Eizo Kobayashi, James Mellander, Dennis Reigle,
Toni Warren**

Counsel

Rebecca J. Hooley, County Counsel's Office

Others Present

Kendra Pappas, County Counsel's Office

Stephanie Crystal Straiten, Appellant

Corey Hallman, Local 856

David W. M. Fujimoto, Attorney for Local 856

Other members of the public

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APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

A. Minutes of January 22, 2019

Chair Kreling asked if the Board Members had any changes or modifications to the minutes. There being none, Chair Kreling approved the minutes as submitted.

B. CONSIDER APPEAL OF STEPHANIE CRYSTAL STRAITEN, CERTIFIED MEDICAL ASSISTANT, HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT FROM REJECTION ON PROBATION BASED ON DISCRIMINATION.

- 1. Consider correspondence received from Kendra Pappas, Deputy County Counsel, County Counsel's office representing the appointing authority, requesting that the Board dismiss the appeal of Stephanie Crystal Straiten, Certified Medical Assistant, Health Services Department from rejection on probation based on discrimination because the appellant's appeal fails to allege any facts establishing probable cause that she was discriminated against when she was terminated on probation.**

Kendra Pappas, Deputy Counsel County Counsel's Office, representing the appointing authority, was present. Stephanie Crystal Straiten and her representative, David W. M. Fujimoto, Attorney for Local 856 were also present.

After discussion between the parties, Member Warren moved and Member Mellander seconded to refer the matter of the appeal of Stephanie Crystal Straiten to the Office of Administration Hearings.

**AYES: Kobayashi, Mellander, Warren, Kreling
NOES: Reigle**

There being no further business to consider, Chair Kreling adjourned the meeting at 6:40 pm.

DATED: _____

APPROVED: /s/ _____