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Contra Costa County Merit Board

Minutes of Meeting March 8, 2022

Presiding Chair
Staff

Dennis Reigle
Stacey Durocher

Members Present
Merit Board Counsel

Eizo Kobayashi, James Mellander, Charles Kreling,
Rebecca Hooley, Assistant County Counsel, County
Counsel's Office

Others Present

No members of the public were present.

Recording of Merit Board Meetings

The Merit Board meetings are recorded and the audio recordings will be retained for a period of approximately ten years.

I. Approval of Consent Items

A. Minutes of February 8, 2022

Chair Reigle asked members of the Merit Board if they had any corrections or modifications to the minutes of February 8, 2022. With no corrections, Chair Reigle moved and Member Kreling seconded, and by the following roll call vote, the minutes of February 8, 2022 were approved.

Ayes: Kobayashi, Kreling, Reigle
Noes: None
Abstain: Mellander
Absent: None

II. Public Comment: Persons who wish to address the Board during public comment, or with respect to an Item that is on the Agenda will be limited to two (2) minutes.

A. There were no public comments.

III. Discussion Items:

- A. CONSIDER authorizing the Merit Board to continue teleconference meetings under Government Code section 54953(e) and make related findings; DETERMINE that the Merit Board will hold virtual meetings for the next 30 days; and DIRECT the Secretary of the Merit Board to return this matter to the Merit Board within 30 days for reconsideration.

After some discussion, Chair Reigle moved and Member Mellander seconded and by the following roll call vote, the Merit Board (1) authorized teleconference meetings under Government Code section 54953(3) and made related findings, (2) determined that the Merit Board will hold virtual meetings for the next 30 days, and (3) directed the Secretary of the Merit Board to return this matter to the Merit Board within 30 days for reconsideration in accordance with Government Code, Section 54953(e).

Ayes: Kobayashi, Mellander, Kreling, Reigle
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

IV. Old Business

- A. Consider whether to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report and Recommendation in the appeal of John Pringle from rejection on probation as an Institutional Services Worker-Generalist in the Health Services Department.

After some discussion, Chair Reigle moved and Member Kreling seconded to adopt the Hearing Officer's Report and Recommendation in the appeal of John Pringle from rejection on probation as an Institutional Services Worker-Generalist in the Health Services Department.

Ayes: Kobayashi, Mellander, Kreling, Reigle
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

V. New Business

- A. CONSIDER appeal of Nduka Oyita from rejection on probation as a HS Systems Analyst II in the Health Services Department.

After the agenda was published, the appellant communicated to the Merit Board Secretary his intent to withdraw his appeal and not appear at the meeting. After some discussion, Member Kreling moved and Member Mellander seconded to dismiss the appeal of Nduka Oyita from rejection on probation as a HS Systems Analyst II in the Health Services Department for failure to appear and prosecute.

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Ayes: Kobayashi, Mellander, Kreling, Reigle
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

There being no further business to consider, Chair Reigle adjourned the meeting at 6:57 PM.

DATED: April 26, 2022

APPROVED: Stacey Durocher