

ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY AGENDA

Claims Settlement Committee Meeting Thursday, February 27, 2014 5:00 p.m.

Orange County Fire Authority Regional Fire Operations and Training Center Room AE117

1 Fire Authority Road Irvine, California 92602

Steven Weinberg, Board Chair
Al Murray, Board Vice Chair
Elizabeth Swift, Budget and Finance Committee Chair
Keith Richter, Fire Chief
Janet Wells, Interim Human Resources Director

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CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any member of the public may address the Committee on items within the Committee's subject matter jurisdiction but which are not listed on this agenda during PUBLIC COMMENTS. However, no action may be taken on matters that are not part of the posted agenda. We request comments made on the agenda be made at the time the item is considered and that comments be limited to three minutes per person. Please address your comments to the Committee as a whole, and do not engage in dialogue with individual Committee Members, Authority staff, or members of the audience.

MINUTES

1. Minutes for the December 11, 2013, Claims Settlement Committee Meeting Submitted by: Sherry A.F. Wentz, Clerk of the Authority

Recommended Action: Approve as submitted.

CONSENT CALENDAR

No items

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

No items.

REPORTS

No items.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

CLOSED SESSION

CS1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

Name of Claim: Nick Sanchez v. OCFA

Case No. WCAB: ADJ7973511; ADJ7973505 Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

CS2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

Name of Claim: Craig Carlson v. OCFA

Case No. WCAB: ADJ4626226; ADJ3864919; ADJ4283394; ADJ3423700

Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ADJOURNMENT – The next regular meeting of the Claims Settlement Committee is scheduled for Thursday, March 27, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing Agenda was posted in the lobby and front gate public display case of the Orange County Fire Authority, Regional Fire Operations and Training Center, 1 Fire Authority Road, Irvine, CA, not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting. Dated this 20th day of February 2014.

Sherry A.F. Wentz, CMC Clerk of the Authority

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Budget and Finance Committee Meeting	Wednesday, March 12, 2014, 12 noon
Special Board of Directors Meeting	Thursday, March 13, 2014, 6:30 p.m.
Claims Settlement Committee Meeting	Thursday, March 27, 2014, 5:00 p.m.
Executive Committee Meeting	Thursday, March 27, 2014, 5:30 p.m.
Board of Directors Meeting	Thursday, March 27, 2014, 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

Claims Settlement Committee Special Meeting Thursday, December 11, 2013 3:30 P.M., or as soon thereafter

Regional Fire Operations and Training Center Room AE117

1 Fire Authority Road Irvine, CA 92602

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Weinberg called a special meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Claims Settlement Committee to order at 6:45 p.m. on December 11, 2013.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Fire Chief Richter led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: Steven Weinberg, Board Chair, Dana Point

Al Murray, Board Vice Chair, Tustin

Elizabeth Swift, Budget and Finance Committee Chair, Buena Park

Keith Richter, Fire Chief

Janet Wells, Interim Human Resources Director

Absent: None

Also present were OCFA General Counsel David Kendig; Clerk of the Authority Sherry Wentz; Risk Manager Jonathan Wilby; and Risk Management Analyst Rhonda Haynes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (F: 12.02C3)

Chair Weinberg opened the Public Comments portion of the meeting. Chair Weinberg closed the Public Comments portion of the meeting without any statements from the public.

MINUTES

1. Minutes for the October 24, 2013, Claims Settlement Committee Meeting (F: 12.02C2)

On motion of Vice Chair Murray, and second by Director Swift, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2013, Claims Settlement Committee meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

No items.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

No items.

REPORTS

No items.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS (F: 12.02C4)

The Committee had no comments.

CLOSED SESSION (F: 12.02C5)

General Counsel David Kendig reported the Committee would be convening in Closed Session to consider the matters on the Agenda identified as CS1, Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation.

The Claims Settlement Committee convened to Closed Session at 6:45 p.m.

CS1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

Name of Claim: Steven Poole v. OCFA

Case Nos. WCAB: ADJ3736112, ADJ1822013, ADJ3802507, ADJ7263367,

ADJ7419976, ADJ7595516, ADJ7594481, ADJ8728797, and

ADJ8726153

Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

The Claims Settlement Committee reconvened for regular business at 6:55 p.m., with all Members present.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT (F: 12.02C5)

General Counsel David Kendig announced the Claims Settlement Committee considered and unanimously authorized an offer of settlement on Worker's Compensation claim CS1, the substance of which, upon acceptance by the parties will be disclosed after the agreements have been fully executed.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Weinberg adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Claims Settlement Committee is scheduled for Thursday, January 23, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.

Sherry A.F. Wentz, CMC Clerk of the Authority

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