

**SONOMA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD  
DISABILITY COMMITTEE AGENDA**

Thursday, January 22, 2026  
8:30 a.m.

The January 22, 2026, Sonoma County Employees' Retirement Association's Disability Committee meeting will be held in the SCERA Board Room at 433 Aviation Boulevard, Suite 100, Santa Rosa, CA and will be facilitated through Zoom for members of the public who wish to attend virtually.

Members of the public can watch or listen to the meeting using one of the following two methods:

1. Join the Zoom meeting on your computer, tablet or smartphone:

<https://sonomacounty.zoom.us/j/89584249125?pwd=aFyrJJfjvgXUkc7VP8fNz8v6xMZIL.1>

Passcode: 955517

2. Call-in and listen to the meeting:

Dial 1 (669) 900-9128

Meeting ID: 895 8424 9125

Passcode: 955517

**PUBLIC COMMENT PRIOR TO THE MEETING**

Email Public Comment: To submit an emailed public comment to the Committee, in advance of the meeting, email [Wendy.Serrano@sonomacounty.gov](mailto:Wendy.Serrano@sonomacounty.gov) by 7:30 a.m. on January 22, 2026. Please provide your name, the agenda number(s) on which you wish to speak, and your comment. These comments will be provided to the Committee members prior to the start of the meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THE MEETING**

The public may address the Disability Committee regarding any non-executive session agenda items during the Committee's consideration of the item. The Committee maintains and reserves the right to take action on any item agendized for discussion.

Public Comment Using Zoom: Members of the public who join the Zoom meeting, either online or by calling in, will be able to provide live public comment for each agenda item, after the Committee and staff have provided their comments. To provide public comment during the meeting, click or tap the "Reactions" button on the zoom meeting screen and select "Raise Hand" button. A hand icon will appear next to the attendee's name, indicating to the host that a comment is intended.

Non-confidential materials distributed with the agenda packet and/or related to an item on this agenda submitted to SCERA after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection electronically. Please send an email request for non-confidential materials to [Wendy.Serrano@sonomacounty.gov](mailto:Wendy.Serrano@sonomacounty.gov)

ACCOMMODATION: If you have a disability which requires an accommodation, an alternative format, or requires another person to assist you while attending this meeting, please contact the Retirement Office at (707) 565-8100, at least 72 hours in advance to ensure arrangements for accommodation.

Committee members are Trustees Amos Eaton, Jared Gonce, Bob Williamson and Alternate Retiree Trustee Neil Baker.

I. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the December 18, 2025, Minutes.

**Recommendation:** Approve Minutes.

The Disability Committee will move into Executive Session and close the meeting to all attendees who are not necessary for the determination of a disability retirement or consideration of a public employee performance evaluation. Those in person attendees will physically exit the Board room and attendees on Zoom will be placed in a waiting room, with the Board room camera and microphone turned off so Zoom attendees will neither hear nor see the meeting. All in person and Zoom attendees will be re-admitted to the meeting when the Committee returns 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. SHEM GARDNER, Correctional Counselor IV filed 11/27/24 for a service connected disability retirement.

**Recommendation:** \_\_\_\_\_

B. Discussion:

Review the pending disability applications on January 2026 Disability Report.

The Disability Committee will move out of Executive Session and reopen the meeting to all Zoom attendees who were locked out during the closed session period.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT OUT – OPEN SESSION

A report will be given to the public on the Disability Committee's recommendations for the above items.

IV. GENERAL DISCUSSION MATTERS

Opportunity 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.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity for public comment on non-agenda items within the jurisdiction of the Disability Committee.

VI. NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, February 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