

MINUTES ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

**Claims Settlement Committee Regular Meeting
Thursday, April 28, 2016
5:00 P.M.**

**Regional Fire Operations and Training Center
Room AE117
1 Fire Authority Road
Irvine, CA 92602**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hernandez called a regular meeting of the Orange County Fire Authority Claims Settlement Committee to order at 5:00 p.m. on April 28, 2016.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Gene Hernandez, Chair, Yorba Linda
Beth Swift, Vice Chair, Buena Park
Jerry McCloskey, Budget and Finance Committee Chair, Laguna Niguel
Noel Hatch, Human Resources Committee Representative, Laguna Woods
Jeff Bowman, Fire Chief

Absent: None

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS (F: 12.02C3)

Chair Hernandez opened the Public Comments portion of the meeting. Chair Hernandez closed the Public Comments portion of the meeting without any comments from the general public.

MINUTES

1. Minutes for the March 24, 2016, Claims Settlement Committee Regular Meeting (F: 12.02C2)

On motion of Vice Chair Swift and second by Director Hatch, the Committee voted unanimously by those present to approve the March 24, 2016, Regular Minutes as submitted.

CONSENT CALENDAR

No items.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

No items.

REPORTS

No items.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS (F: 12.02C4)

Fire Chief Jeff Bowman suggested that under the Fire Chief's Mentor program, it would be appropriate to have the Assistant Fire Chiefs attend future Claims Settlement Committee meetings.

By consensus of the Committee and concurrence by General Counsel, the Committee agreed to allow the Fire Chief's Mentor Program participants be allowed to participate in the Claims Committee's Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION (F: 12.02C5)

General Counsel David Kendig reported the Committee would convene to Closed Session to consider the matters on the Agenda identified as CS1, Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation and CS2, Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation.

Chair Hernandez recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 5:06 p.m.

CS1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

Name of Claim: Vernon Hansen v. OCFA

Case No. EAMS No: DEU10061455

Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

CS2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

Name of Claim: Jim McArdle v. OCFA

Case No. EAMS No: DEU 9451801

Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(a)

Chair Hernandez reconvened the meeting from Closed Session at 5:20 p.m. with all prior Committee Members present.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT (F: 12.02C5)

General Counsel David Kendig stated there was no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT – Chair Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 5:21 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Claims Settlement Committee is scheduled for Thursday, May 26, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.



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