

# Contra Costa County



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## MERIT BOARD

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## Contra Costa County Merit Board

### Minutes of Meeting June 8, 2021

<b>Presiding Chair</b>	Charles Kreling (Absent) - Acting Chair James Mellander
<b>Staff</b>	Stacey Durocher
<b>Members Present Merit Board Counsel</b>	Eizo Kobayashi, Dennis Reigle, Toni Warren Rebecca Hooley, Assistant County Counsel, County Counsel's Office
<b>Others Present</b>	Abigail Dye, Deputy County Counsel, County Counsel's Office Catherine Beller, Deputy County Counsel, County Counsel's Office Roberyre Stepney, Appellant Nicole Rupp, Appellant Romandha Celestin, IFPTE, Local 21 Representative Nathan Johnson, Veteran Services Office Other 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. **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.

## II. Approval of Consent Items

### A. Minutes of May 25, 2021

Acting Chair Mellander asked members of the Merit Board if they had any changes or modifications to the minutes of May 25, 2021. There being none, the minutes of May 25, 2021 were approved.

## III. New Business

### A. Considered the appeal of Roberyre Stepney from rejection on probation as a Medical Social Worker II in the Health Services Department.

After some discussion, Member Reigle moved and Member Warren seconded to allow the appellant an opportunity to amend and resubmit her appeal from rejection on probation as a Medical Social Worker II in the Health Services Department.

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

### B. Considered the appeal of Nicole Rupp from rejection on probation as a Veteran Services Representative I in the Veteran Services Office.

After a lengthy discussion, Member Warren moved and Member Kobayashi seconded to refer the matter of Nicole Rupp from rejection on probation as a Veteran Services Representative I in the Veteran Services Office to an Administrative Law Judge.

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

## IV. Old Business

None.

There being no further business to consider, Acting Chair Mellander adjourned the meeting at 7:13 PM.

DATED: June 22, 2021

APPROVED: /s/ Stacy Durocher