



## Meeting Minutes - Final

### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Merit Board

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Charles Kreling, Chair  
Eizo Kobayashi  
James Mellander  
Dennis Reigle  
Toni Warren

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**Tuesday, June 9, 2026**

**6:00 PM**

**1025 Escobar St., Martinez, Conference  
Rm#110\* /<https://www.zoom.us/Join>  
Meeting ID # 852 8673 4479 Password  
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Conference Code #3073276**

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1. Roll Call and Introductions

**Present**

Eizo Kobayashi, Charles Kreling, James Mellander, Dennis Reigle,  
and Toni Warren

2. Consent Items

Approve the Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2026.

[26-2345](#)

**Attachments:**

[MB Meeting Minutes 4.14.26 Final](#)

**Aye:**

**Kobayashi, Kreling, Mellander, and Reigle**

**Abstain:**

**Warren**

**Result:**

**Passed**

3. Public Comment

Persons who wish to address the Board during public comment may address matters within the Merit Board's jurisdiction but that are not listed as items on the agenda.

**There was no public comment.**

4. Old Business

A. Consider whether to adopt the hearing officer's report and recommended decision in the appeal of William Coleman, alleging retaliation for engaging in protected activities in the Health Services Department. [26-2346](#)

**After some discussion, Member Mellander moved and Member Warren seconded, to continue to June 23, 2026 due to a tentative settlement between the parties.**

**Motion: Mellander**

**Second: Warren**

**Aye: Kobayashi, Kreling, Mellander, Reigle, and Warren**

**Result: Passed**

B. Report the withdrawal of the appeal of Lajanee Turner from rejection on probation as a Social Worker in the Employment & Human Services Department - Aging & Adult Services. [26-2347](#)

**Merit Board Secretary reported the withdrawal of the appeal of Lajanee Turner from rejection on probation as a Social Worker in the Employment & Human Services Department - Aging & Adult Services.**

5. New Business

A. Report the withdrawal of the appeal of Sonya Barski from rejection on probation as a Mental Health Clinical Specialist in the Health Services Department. [26-2348](#)

**Merit Board Secretary reported the withdrawal of the appeal of Sonya Barski from rejection on probation as a Mental Health Clinical Specialist in the Health Services Department.**

*The meeting adjourned at 6:23pm.*

*The next meeting is currently scheduled for June 23, 2026.*

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