

AGENDA

PUBLIC AGENCY COALITION ENTERPRISE (PACE)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

March 25, 2026

2:00 pm

TEAMS MEETING:

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL (10 minutes)

BOARD MEMBERS:

AVENAL, CITY OF	Antony López
BIG BEAR FIRE AUTHORITY	TBD
CARMEL AREA WASTEWATER DISTRICT	Barbara Buikema
CLAREMONT, CITY OF	Christi Giannone
COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF KERN	Lisa McGranahan
COMPASS CHARTER SCHOOLS	Sophia Trivino
CORCORAN, CITY OF	Marlene Spain
DANVILLE, TOWN OF	Mirissa Wolfson
DESERT HOT SPRINGS, CITY OF	Brent Jones, Member
DOS PALOS, CITY OF	Manuela Sousa
FORESTHILL PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT	Henry White
FOWLER, CITY OF	Angela Vasquez
GUSTINE, CITY OF	Melanie Correa
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO	Ken Litzinger
HUMBOLDT BAY FIRE DISTRICT	Scott Bauer
HURON, CITY OF	Balvina Caldera
LINDSAY, CITY OF	Miranda Cordova
LIVINGSTON, CITY OF	Arcelia Cruz
MODOC COUNTY	Chester Robertson
NEWMAN, CITY OF	Mike Maier
REDWOOD COAST ENERGY AUTHORITY	Eileen Verbeck
REGIONAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES	Molly Bolar
RIO DELL, CITY OF	Joanne Farley

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY EMPOLYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOC.
SAN JOAQUIN, CITY OF
SANGER, CITY OF
SONORA, CITY OF
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, EL DORADO COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, KINGS COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, MENDOCINO COUNTY
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, SUTTER COUNTY
SUTTER CREEK
TRUCKEE-DONNER RECREATION & PARK DISTRICT
UPLAND, CITY OF

Stacey Barnier, **Member**
Elizabeth Cabrera
Amanda Champion
Chris Gorsky
Heather Nelson
Nocona Soboleski
Kim Turner, **Vice President**
Joe Azevedo
Pam Caronogan
David Faris, **President**
Cecelia Todd

ALTERNATES:

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Griselda Price
Kristin Mandolini
James Grover
Heidi Tanner
Lisa McGranahan
Jesse Zamora
TBD
Lani Ha
Geoffrey Buchheim
Dewayne Jones
TBD
TBD/Michael Reid
Desirae Porras
Jenna Franz
Robert Murias
TBD
Vanessa Duran
Harpreet Bains
Pam Randall
Michael Holland
Kristy Siino
Maddy Wasserman
Karen Dunham
Iliana Carreon
Eddy Otanez Maria
Brionne Jackson
TBD
Shelby Wineigner
Mona Melchor/Lacy Meneses
April Allen
Debbie Baggett
Tom DuBois
Sven Leff
Rocio Preciado

MANAGERS:

KEENAN & ASSOCIATES

E. Peter McNamara
Teri Graf
Marie Edmondson
Sam Mel-Chan
Christine Hough
Laurie LoFranco
Alex Van Brunt

OTHERS:

KEENAN & ASSOCIATES

Dawn Almanzor
Jena Baptista
Pam Cote
Teresa Figueroa
Gordon Fung
Tiffany Garcia
Megan Gardner
Carrie Hanes
Angela Montes
Robin Neer
Marshawn Swims

ANTHEM

Darren Reddick
Karisa Kirkman

EMPIRX

Holly Romero
Greg Lewis
Sandra Modglin

GALLAGHER

Leslie Anderson

Part D Advisors (PDA)

Andrea Prymak

HANDL HEALTH

Shapari Samimi

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Comments from the general public will be received and limited to five minutes per person.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – March 25, 2026

Presented by David Faris

**Action
2026-001**

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 10, 2025

Presented by David Faris

**Action
2026-002**

The Authority will review the minutes of the last Board Meeting for any adjustments and adoption.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

Presented by E. Peter McNamara

**Information
2026-003**

Correspondence will be presented and reviewed by the Board. No action may be taken in response; only referred for action on a subsequent agenda.

- City of Livingston – Request for closed Retiree group extension
- Payer Matrix Fee Reduction (EmpiRx Contract Amendment #4)
- Part D Advisors (PDA) – Spousal Annual Re-Certification Proposal
- HIPAA Notice of Privacy Practices – Updated

VII. ADMINISTRATION (PART 1)

DEPENDENT VERIFICATION AUDIT (PDA) (30 minutes)

Presented by Andrea Prymak

**Information
2026-004**

The Board will receive an overview of the Dependent Verification Audit, including the timeline and the roles and responsibilities each member agency will be expected to fulfill throughout the process.

VIII. FINANCIAL

FINANCIAL REVIEW (10 minutes)

Presented by Sam Mel-Chan

**Information
2026-005**

The Board will hear a report on the Financials as of December 31, 2025.

ANTHEM UPDATE (15 minutes)

Presented by Darren Reddick & Karisa Kirkman

**Information
2026-006**

The Board will hear a report from Anthem on claim utilization.

EMPIRX UPDATE (15 minutes)

Presented by Holly Romero, Greg Lewis, and Sandra Modglin

**Information
2026-007**

The Board will hear a report on EmpiRx utilization.

WELLNESS UPDATE (10 minutes)

Presented by Teri Graf

**Information
2026-008**

The Board will hear a report on the 2026 Wellness initiatives.

IX. ADMINISTRATION (PART 2)

NEW MEMBER REQUESTS (10 minutes)

Presented by Christine Hough

**Information
2026-009**

The Board will hear a report on new member agency activity.

BENEFIT BRIDGE UPDATE (5 minutes)

Presented by Teri Graf

**Information
2026-010**

The timeline for the transition of PACE administration from the BenefitBridge platform to Employee Navigator has been updated from March 2026 to July 2026.

HANDL HEALTH OVERVIEW (30 minutes)

Presented by Shapari Samimi

**Information
2026-011**

The Board will hear an overview of Handl Health’s program and how the program can benefit PACE.

APPROVE RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO FILL THE SECRETARY/TREASURER VACANCY AND COMPLETE THE UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2027

Presented by E. Peter McNamara

**Action
2026-012**

The Board will discuss and elect the Secretary/Treasurer of the Executive Committee to fill the vacancy and complete the unexpired term ending December 31, 2027.

APPROVE RECOMMENDATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO FILL THE NON-OFFICER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER VACANCY AND COMPLETE THE UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2027

Presented by E. Peter McNamara

**Action
2026-013**

The Board will discuss and elect a Non-Officer Executive Committee Member to fill the vacancy and complete the unexpired term ending December 31, 2027.

X. INFORMATION

MEMBER COMMENTS

Information

Each member may report about various matters involving the Authority. There will be no Authority discussion except to ask questions, and no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda.

MANAGER COMMENTS

Information

PACE Management will report to the Authority about various matters involving the Authority. There will be no Authority discussion except to ask questions, and no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda.

- Update to the 2026 PACE Meeting Schedule:
 - The August 24 Executive Committee and Full Board meeting date (typo) has been updated to August 26, 2026
 - The July 22 Executive Committee Meeting has been rescheduled for July 15, 10AM-Noon
 - The revised 2026 PACE Meeting Schedule attached
- Resource Guide for Anthem and Kaiser on Value-added benefits
- Process in preparing an RFP for a new COBRA Administrator for PACE as a pool

XI. AGENDA ITEMS NEXT MEETING

Information

Members and others may suggest items for consideration at the next meeting which will be held August 26, 2026.

XII. ADJOURNMENT