



AGENDA

**SIRMA I JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY WORKERS' COMPENSATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
January 25, 2022
8:30 a.m.**

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1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Acton Agua Dulce Union School District
Antelope Valley Union High School District
Gorman School District
Keppel Union School District
Palmdale School District
Westside Union School District
William S. Hart Union High School District

3. Approval of Agenda

Items to be deleted or added according to G.C. §54954.2. These items are approved with a single roll call vote unless a Board member wishes to discuss or to remove an item. Action item.

4. Public Comments

Comments from the general public will be received and will be limited to five minutes per person. Information. The Brown Act requires the legislative body to allow comment periods on agenda items or non-agenda items (G.C. Section 54954.3).

5. Closed Session

A. Claims Settlements and Ratifications

As authorized by Government code §54956.95, the Authority will discuss possible settlement of claims pending against The Authority and/or ratification claims to be settled. Action item.

Employee	Claim Number	District
Cynthia Nelson	1335-WC-17-0500182	Antelope Valley UHSD
Shannon Haight	20212000030	Westside USD
Roberta Benavidez	20182001124	William S. Hart UHSD
Kevin Steen	20192000498	William S. Hart UHSD
Kevin Steen	20192001229	William S. Hart UHSD
Kevin Steen	20152001323	William S. Hart UHSD
Theresa Lagiusa	20192000582	William S. Hart UHSD
Michele Tomlin	20172001017	William S. Hart UHSD

6. JPA Administration

A. Contract Review

Review of JPA contracts. Action/information.

7. Consent Items

- A. Approval of Minutes 11.16.21
- B. Check Register 11.1.21 to 12.31.21

8. Information

Board Comments

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

Manager Comments

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

Broker Comments

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

Claims Administrators' Comments

Comments from the Claims Administrator's will be received and will be limited to five minutes per person.

Agenda items for the next meeting March 22, 2022, location TBD/virtual.

Adjournment to Annual In Service Training



Annual In-Service Training

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

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Thank you to our presenters and attendees.

9:00am

Scarlett Sadler
PRISM Risk
Sr. Risk Control Specialist

Ms. Sadler will present the **PRISM Risk Loss Prevention Assessment Tool**. PRISM has partnered with in2vate to develop the PRISM Risk Assessment Tool which allows our members to proactively identify gaps in their risk management related programs. It consists of online surveys which generate customized action plans designed to assist members in program improvement. Members are also provided links to pertinent PRISM Risk Control Toolbox resources and best practices in addition to benchmarking against other PRISM members.

Recommended Attendees: Risk managers, risk management staff, workers' compensation technicians, principals, any school personnel handling workers compensation claims intake or monitoring, safety committee members and loss prevention staff.

9:45am

Carrie O'Connor, Esq.
O'Connor and Telezinski
Workers' compensation defense attorney and entrepreneur

Attorney O'Connor will present on the topic of **Subpoena Best Practices**. What? Ekkkkk! Now what do I do?

Recommended Attendees: Risk managers, risk management staff, workers' compensation technicians, principals, any school personnel handling workers compensation claims intake or monitoring, HR, payroll personnel, benefits personnel.

10:30am

Maria Brunel
POMS and Associates
Safety and Loss Prevention partners

Maria and her staff will present on a topic related to avoiding/mitigating employee injuries arising from working with and caring for special needs students.

Recommended Attendees: Risk managers, risk management staff, special needs staff management, workers' compensation technicians, principals, any school personnel handling workers compensation claims intake or monitoring, safety committee members, loss prevention staff.

11:30am

Matt Sutow, Esq.
Gale, Sutow and Associates
Workers' compensation defense attorney

Attorney Sutow will be discussing the **COVID Fear Factor**—defending psychiatric claims. He will also discuss the recent *See's Candies vs. Ek* decision and the potential impact on the workers' compensation exclusive remedy arising from a COVID death of the spouse of an injured worker.

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