

Notice of Nomination Period for the Board of Retirement Safety Member, Seventh Seat and Alternate Seat, Special Election Date to be Determined

Notice is hereby given by the Mendocino County Employees Retirement Association (MCERA), pursuant to the [Board Election Policy](#), that a **special election will be conducted** to elect one Safety Member and one Alternate Safety Member to the Board of Retirement for the remainder of a term ending November 30, 2028. The candidate with the most votes will become the Seventh Member. The runner-up from an unrepresented safety group, if any, shall become the Alternate Seventh Member, pursuant to Government Code Section 31520.1.

- Requirements:
1. Shall be a Safety Member of MCERA.
 2. Shall submit to MCERA:
 - a) Declaration of Candidacy
 - b) Candidate Statement of Qualifications
 - c) Statement of Economic Interests (CA Form 700)

Retirement Board Members need to possess the ability to fulfill the fiduciary duties required under the law to ensure that MCERA is appropriately governed and managed. The overriding goal of the Board is to serve the best interests of members and beneficiaries, and to protect the assets of MCERA. The duties and responsibilities are fully described in the [Retirement Board Charter](#). A Board member shall be available to attend regular Board meetings, held on the third Wednesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. at MCERA, special meetings being held for a specific matter, and educational sessions related to Board responsibilities. In-person attendance is required unless just cause and an emergency circumstance exception applies. Remote attendance guidelines are explained in the [Board Meeting Remote Attendance Policy for Trustees](#).

Submit Declaration of Candidacy Forms to the Retirement Association

Any qualified Safety Member may obtain a [Declaration of Candidacy](#) form online or by contacting MCERA. Declaration forms will be available and accepted until a candidate declares. All completed Declaration forms with attached Candidate Statement of Qualifications and Statement of Economic Interest (CA Form 700) shall be filed with MCERA by mail, fax, email, or in person.

If only one member has been duly nominated in accordance with the rules established for the holding of such election, the Board of Supervisors shall order that no election be held and shall direct MCERA to cast a unanimous ballot in favor of such nominated member.

If more than one member has been duly nominated in accordance with the rules established for the holding of such election, MCERA shall distribute ballots to conduct the election to all safety members. For additional information please contact MCERA at 463-4328.

Dated this 29th day of December 2025
Doris Rentschler, Executive Director