



Meeting of the Executive Committee

August 5, 2026

1:00 p.m.

CIF Southern Section Offices, Los Alamitos, CA

Minutes

1. OPENING BUSINESS	DISPOSITION	ITEM
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A. Call to order by Dr. Alexis Barile, President of the Council

The meeting was called to order at 1:14 p.m. after the team photo was taken. Dr. Barile welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the new school year.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

For roll call, President Dr. Alexis Barile asked everyone to introduce themselves. All members were present except for Ann Fitzgerald and Jacquelyn Gibson.

D. Introduction of Guests

Commissioner of Athletics Mike West introduced the new staff members of the CIF Southern Section to the Committee. They are:

Alicia Seevers, Assistant Commissioner
Breanna Bernard-Joseph, Marketing Coordinator
Alysha Colladay, Communications Coordinator
Chelsea Olson, Program Coordinator
Kayla Mills, Program Coordinator
Cailey Sanchez-Collado, Program Coordinator – was not in attendance

Mr. West then introduced representatives from our Student Athletes Advisory Committee. In attendance were:

Kelly Kaufman, Orange County Area Representative
Derrik Mai, Orange County Area Representative
Sasha Kraaijvanger, Parochial Area Representative

E. Adopt Agenda

Adopted

President Dr. Alexis Barile requested a motion to move Items 5A1-5A5 before Item 1F1 to approve the appointment of a new member to the Executive Committee. There was a motion and second to adopt the revised agenda. The motion carried 14-0-0.

1. OPENING BUSINESS (Cont.)	DISPOSITION	ITEM
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F. Approval of Minutes	Approved	
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There was a motion and a second to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2026 Executive Committee Meeting. The motion carried 19-0-0.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Recognition of anyone wishing to address the Executive Committee. Speakers must limit their remarks to three minutes.

Annie Parnell, a parent of a Buckley school student, addressed the Committee regarding eligibility concerns.

3. NON-ACTION ITEMS	DISPOSITION	ITEM
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A. STATE FEDERATED COUNCIL NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. Proposed Revision to Bylaw 503.M - Spectators	Non-Action	STATE 693
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President-Elect Rob Dearborn presented the proposal requesting revision to Bylaw 503.M as it relates to spectators storming the court or field. This would put the onus on school sites to have in place plans to prevent these activities. This revision would be effective immediately if it passes. This is not the milling around on the court at the end of a game. Gives leeway for the Commissioner to help determine consequences to the action. Building relationships between schools and with facilities is key in helping with keeping these events at bay.

B. SOUTHERN SECTION NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. Proposed Revision to Bylaw 3514 - Number of Playoff Entries	Non-Action	SS 694
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President Dr. Alexis Barile presented the proposal requesting revision to Bylaw 3514 as it relates to number of playoff entries to align football with all other sports. Implementation for this revision would be for the 2027-2028 school year. With more conferences and more five team leagues, it is desired to bring automatic football entries in line other sports which would be three entries for five team leagues instead of only two. This came from a conference area that relegues every two years which may make a difference in how this proposal is perceived. This will increase the number of divisions and/or allow for fewer at large teams. This would also impact State entries especially with an increase in divisions at the lower end of the spectrum.

2. Proposed Revision to Bylaw 1223.3 - Summer Dead Period	Non-Action	SS 695
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President Dr. Alexis Barile presented the proposal requesting revision to Bylaw 1223.3 as it relates to the Summer Dead Period. Each school would select a seven (7) day period for all sports at the school to be dark and then another seven (7) day period for all levels of each sport. Under this proposal, multi-sport athletes would probably not get a full two weeks of break. What about dictated dead periods from the office per sport? Is two weeks really that much of a burden on any sport program?

4. ACTION ITEMS

DISPOSITION

ITEM

A. STATE FEDERATED COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS

There are no State Federated Council action items.

B. SOUTHERN SECTION ACTION ITEMS

There are no Southern Section Council action items.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Appointment for 2026-2027 Executive Committee

Approved

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| 1. Treasurer | 5A1 |
| 2. Boys' Athletic Directors Representative | 5A2 |
| 3. Girls' Athletic Directors Representative | 5A3 |
| 4. Northern Area Representative | 5A4 |
| 5. At Large Representative | 5A5 |

The agenda was amended to hold this vote at the beginning of the meeting as a consent calendar to approve the appointment of these five Executive Committee positions. There was a motion and a second to approve the appointment of these individuals. The motion carried 14-0-0.

B. 2026-2027 CIF Southern Section Goals

Non-Action

5B

Commissioner Mike West presented the new goals for the 2026-27 school year, which appear at the end of these minutes.

C. Financial Report

Mitch Carty

Chief Financial Officer, Mitch Carty started by distributing a financial report to the Committee and reviewed the document. The handout appears at the end of these minutes.

D. Communications Report

Thom Simmons

Assistant Commissioner Thom Simmons started his report with the changes in his department. Brianna Sutrisna is now the CIF Southern Section Digital Media coordinator, similar to the role Taylor Martinez held. Members of our Student Athlete Advisory Committee were involved in social media this past season and will continue their role in the coming year.

E. Marketing Report

Jacquelyn Gibson

Director of Marketing and Corporate Partnerships Jacquelyn Gibson was absent from the meeting so Assistant Commissioner Thom Simmons presented the Marketing Report based on the document that appears at the end of these minutes.

The Committee went into closed session at 2:28 p.m.

6. CLOSED SESSION

A. Public Employee Evaluation of Performance – (Government Code 54957):

1. Commissioner's Contract

7. REPORT OF ACTION(S) TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

The Committee returned from closed session at 3:01 p.m.

During Closed Session, the Executive Committee took the following reportable actions:

First, by unanimous vote, motion by D. Howard & Second by M. Hibbard, the Executive Committee approved a three-year extension of Commissioner Mike West's employment agreement.

Second, by unanimous vote, motion by D. Howard & Second by M. Hibbard, the Executive Committee approved a one percent (1%) salary increase for Commissioner Mike West, consistent with the terms of the employment agreement.

Those are the reportable actions taken in Closed Session.

8. REPORTS

A. NFHS Summer Meeting Reports

Dr. Alexis Barile
Dr. Paula Hart Rodas

President Dr. Alexis Barile retold a personal story from the conference.

President-Elect Dr. Paul Hart Rodas followed with reviews of the various workshops. The administrative staff of the CIF Southern Section is the best in the country, frontrunners in their field. The Southern Section is always ahead of the curve. The keynote speaker spoke of overcoming adversity and he stated that we are the gatekeepers helping students through the gates not shutting the gates on the students!

Commissioner of Athletics Mike West continued with a comment on how well represented we were, how interesting the sessions were, and how this conference allows us to see how we stand in comparison to the rest of the country.

B. President's Report

Dr. Alexis Barile

Dr. Barile was very excited to share about her experience as a high school athlete's parent and participating on the other side of the fence. There is a lot of excitement in high school athletics and she has a better understanding of the emotions involved. These experiences will help her lead this organization over her Presidency, as organization she is very proud of.

C. Treasurer's Report

Matt Maeda

Treasurer Matt Maeda presented the treasurer's report that appears at the end of these minutes.

8. REPORTS (Cont.)

D. Commissioner's Report

Mike West

Commissioner of Athletics Mike West thanked Executive Assistant Sharon Hodge for her service of 37 years. He welcomed new Executive Assistant, Brenda Bomgaars to her new role which she carries over 20 years of experience. Thank you to the office staff. Last spring was very busy with the hiring processes but we did it!! Over 200 applications over all the new positions. Welcome to the new members of the Committee. Thank you to the students for coming in and joining us! Construction may start end of the fall season and the staff will be working remotely with possible axillary space at in the Cypress elementary school district. Assistant Commissioners Thom Simmons, Mike Middlebrook and myself attended the National Association of Sports Officials conference. Good sessions regarding sport officials. It is interesting to see how the different states handle officials, some treat them more like employees than independent contractors. Presented Past-President Dr. Paula Hart Rodas with her gavel as a thank for her presidency.

E. Executive Committee Member Reports

There were no reports from the Committee.

9. ADVANCE PLANNING

A. DATES

1. September 17, 2026 – CIF Southern Section Executive Committee Meeting, CIF Southern Section Offices, Los Alamitos, CA 1:00 p.m.
2. September 24, 2026 – CIF Southern Section Council Meeting, The Grand Conference Center, Long Beach, CA 9:00 a.m.
3. September 29, 2026 – CIF Southern Section Champions for Character Awards Dinner, The Grand Conference Center, Long Beach, CA 6:00 p.m.
4. October 5, 2026 – Athletic Administrators Summit, Riverside Convention Center, Riverside, CA 8:00 a.m.
5. October 13, 2026 – Hall of Fame/Distinguished Service Luncheon, The Grand Conference Center, Long Beach, CA 11:30 a.m.
6. January 16, 2027 – Executive Committee Retreat and Meeting, The Renaissance, Palm Springs, CA 9:30 a.m.

B. SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS

There were no items suggested for the next agenda.

10. ADJOURNMENT

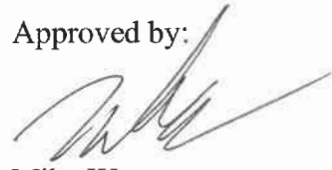
There was a motion and a second to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 3:29 pm.

Submitted by:

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Sharon Hodge
Executive Assistant

Approved by:

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Mike West
Commissioner of Athletics

Council Voting Report

			Adopt August 5, 2026 Agenda Vote	Items 5A1-5A5: Appointments for 2026-27 EC	Approval of Minutes from May 12, 2026
First Name	Last Name	Keypad	1	2	3
Jamal	Adams	1	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dr. Alexis	Barile	2	Yes	Yes	Yes
Terry	Barnum	3	Yes	Yes	Yes
David	Collicutt	4			Yes
Rob	Dearborn	5	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ann	Fitzgerald	6			
Gil	Gomez	7	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dr. Paula	Hart-Rodas	8	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mary Jane	Hibbard	9	Yes	Yes	Yes
Demetre	Howard	10	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kai	Lyles	11	Yes	Yes	Yes
Matt	Maeda	12			Yes
Rene	Nako-Mauch	13			Yes
David	Parkes	14	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mary	Perez	15	Yes	Yes	Yes
Robyn	Reclusado-Garcia	16			Yes
Kenny	Ritchie	17			Yes
Cari	Strange	18	Yes	Yes	Yes
Suzie	Swartz	19	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dr. Reggie	Thompkins	20	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total 1 = Yes			14	14	19
Total 2 = No			0	0	0
Total 3 = Abstain					
Total Voters			14	14	19
Total Yes + No			14	14	19
% Yes			100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
% No			0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Pass Threshold			50.00%	50.00%	150.00%
Pass/Fail			Pass	Pass	Pass



2026-2027 CIF Southern Section Strategic Goals

Mike West, Commissioner of Athletics

The 2026-2027 goals are designed to strengthen the CIF Southern Section's commitment to education-based athletics by enhancing service to member schools, expanding opportunities for participation and inclusion, modernizing governance, developing educational leaders, and ensuring the long-term sustainability of the organization.

Goal 1: Strengthen Member School Engagement and Service Excellence

Continue to provide exceptional service to member schools while strengthening relationships and expanding opportunities for meaningful engagement throughout the Southern Section.

Areas of Focus

- Maintain a high level of service during employee growth and office renovation.
- Increase face-to-face interaction with member schools through school visits, league meetings, and workshops.
- Expand opportunities for student voice and participation in CIF Southern Section initiatives.
- Enhance communication between the Southern Section office, member schools, officials, media, and the public.
- Continue to strengthen communication and engagement with small schools to better understand and address their unique needs.
- Continue to evaluate the competitive equity model and use data to support future refinement.
- Continue to enhance the championship experience through consistent administration, transparent communication, and ongoing evaluation of postseason events.

Goal 2: Modernize Governance and Compliance Practices

Ensure Southern Section governance remains responsive, equitable, and effective by evaluating policies, procedures, and organizational structures.

Areas of Focus

- Enhance consistency and efficiency within the transfer evaluation process.
- Evaluate and enhance the effectiveness of Season Previews and Playoff Bulletins as communication resources.
- Review Southern Section bylaws and recommend updates where appropriate.
- Successfully implement and communicate new CIF and Southern Section rules.

Goal 3: Enhance Leadership Education and Member Support

Provide innovative educational opportunities that develop athletic leaders, strengthen member schools, and reinforce the educational mission of interscholastic athletics.

Areas of Focus

- Expand educational opportunities for athletic directors and coaches.
- Develop resources addressing the most common eligibility and bylaw violations.
- Introduce leadership development centered on building successful athletic cultures and defining success beyond wins and losses.
- Increase support and resources for small schools.

- Expand professional development opportunities for female athletic directors and emerging leaders.
- Promote sportsmanship initiatives that reinforce positive spectator behavior and foster respect among student-athletes, coaches, officials, and school communities.
- Support leadership development opportunities for Student-Athlete Advisory Council members.
- Promote and expand Unified Sports opportunities that foster inclusion, participation, and educational experiences for all students.

Goal 4: Ensure Organizational Sustainability and Operational Excellence

Maintain the long-term financial health, operational effectiveness, and organizational capacity necessary to support the Southern Section's continued growth.

Areas of Focus

- Maintain a balanced budget while identifying operational efficiencies.
- Evaluate staffing needs to improve organizational effectiveness and member service.
- Strengthen officials' recruitment, retention, education, and recognition initiatives.
- Continue enhancement of the CIFSSHome platform to improve the member experience.
- Strengthen and enhance Southern Section media, broadcasting, and championship visibility.
- Invest in the professional growth and leadership development of Southern Section staff.

C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual *(Preliminary)*
July 2025 through June 2026

	Jul '25 - Jun 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
BASEBALL	112,088.00	74,000.00	38,088.00
BASKETBALL	1,158,964.00	1,150,000.00	8,964.00
CHEER	107,608.00	59,000.00	48,608.00
CROSS COUNTRY	108,959.00	110,000.00	(1,041.00)
FOOTBALL	2,022,982.00	2,119,000.00	(96,018.00)
GOLF	121,600.00	99,000.00	22,600.00
LACROSSE	27,377.00	24,900.00	2,477.00
SOCCER	153,638.00	158,000.00	(4,362.00)
SOFTBALL	40,019.00	47,500.00	(7,481.00)
SWIMMING	70,833.00	63,500.00	7,333.00
TENNIS	15,570.00	16,000.00	(430.00)
TRACK & FIELD	171,350.00	134,000.00	37,350.00
VOLLEYBALL	565,991.00	539,000.00	26,991.00
WATER POLO	45,283.00	58,000.00	(12,717.00)
WRESTLING	219,963.00	179,000.00	40,963.00
APPAREL	165,000.00	175,000.00	(10,000.00)
FRIENDS OF GOLF	0	47,000.00	(47,000.00)
INTEREST	416,001.36	109,000.00	307,001.36
PUBLICATIONS	59,421.93	69,000.00	(9,578.07)
SPORTS FEES	1,084,000.00	1,049,000.00	35,000.00
SUPPORT INCOME	1,474,643.43	1,450,000.00	24,643.43
TV -WEB - RADIO RIGHTS	540,678.00	599,000.00	(58,322.00)
CHAMPIONS FOR CHARACTER	54,255.00	79,000.00	(24,745.00)
SPECIAL EVENTS	145,106.00	129,000.00	16,106.00
OTHER INCOME	100.00	0.00	100.00
Total Income	8,881,430.72	8,536,900.00	344,530.72
Cost of Goods Sold			
Cost of Goods Sold	49,749.38	54,100.00	(4,350.62)
Total COGS	49,749.38	54,100.00	(4,350.62)
Gross Profit	8,831,681.34	8,482,800.00	348,881.34

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	Jul '25 - Jun 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget
Expense			
BASEBALL EXPENSE	86,840.33	60,000.00	26,840.33
BASKETBALL EXPENSE	850,162.59	780,000.00	70,162.59
CHEER EXPENSE	80,374.19	20,000.00	60,374.19
CROSS COUNTRY EXPENSE	83,995.15	77,000.00	6,995.15
FOOTBALL EXPENSE	1,367,655.85	1,280,000.00	87,655.85
GOLF EXPENSE	142,921.98	122,500.00	20,421.98
LACROSSE EXPENSE	35,062.29	18,908.00	16,154.29
SOCCER EXPENSE	53,537.48	51,000.00	2,537.48
SOFTBALL EXPENSE	32,662.93	32,000.00	662.93
SWIMMING EXPENSE	82,412.62	64,000.00	18,412.62
TENNIS EXPENSE	37,680.74	34,000.00	3,680.74
TRACK & FIELD EXPENSE	106,098.09	93,000.00	13,098.09
VOLLEYBALL EXPENSE	470,127.72	433,500.00	36,627.72
WATER POLO EXPENSE	33,318.87	26,000.00	7,318.87
WRESTLING EXPENSE	213,502.30	190,000.00	23,502.30
AREA LIAISONS	48,498.24	48,500.00	(1.76)
AUDITOR	32,100.00	34,500.00	(2,400.00)
AWARDS	46,146.05	90,000.00	(43,853.95)
BANK SERVICE CHARGES	3,231.22	4,100.00	(868.78)
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	34,749.71	33,500.00	1,249.71
COUNCIL	106,295.88	70,000.00	36,295.88
DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	0.00	85,000.00	(85,000.00)
DONATIONS	7,200.00	50,000.00	(42,800.00)
GENERAL OFFICE	27,886.86	40,000.00	(12,113.14)
INSURANCE	29,547.19	28,000.00	1,547.19
INVESTMENT EXPENSE	9,900.00	9,500.00	400.00
LEGAL EXPENSE	2,411.36	3,000.00	(588.64)
MAJOR MEDICAL	500,104.73	503,803.00	(3,698.27)
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE	12,566.55	14,000.00	(1,433.45)
OFFICE SUPPLIES	58,993.12	45,000.00	13,993.12
OFFICE SUPPLIES - SMALL EQUIP.	323.26	1,000.00	(676.74)
OFFICE TRAVEL	70,329.39	65,000.00	5,329.39
PAYROLL TAXES	972,567.03	893,560.00	79,007.03
PENSION EXPENSE	0.00	0.00	0.00
POSTAGE/UPS	16,828.28	15,500.00	1,328.28
PRESS/MEDIA	61,021.44	35,000.00	26,021.44
PRINTING/DUPLICATING	15,873.30	17,000.00	(1,126.70)
PROFESSIONAL GROWTH	621	1,000.00	(379.00)
PROGRAM EXPENSE	2,259.00	600.00	1,659.00
PUBLICATIONS EXPENSE	27,729.70	25,000.00	2,729.70
PUBLICATIONS WASTE	3,172.52	4,900.00	(1,727.48)

Prepared by:
MITCH CARTY, Chief Financial Officer

C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual *(Preliminary)*
 July 2025 through June 2026

	Jul '25 - Jun 26	Budget	\$ Over Budget
SALARIES	2,402,015.27	2,358,329.00	43,686.27
SALES/USE TAX EXPENSE	838.08	2,100.00	(1,261.92)
SPECIAL EVENTS EXPENSE	117,073.48	125,000.00	(7,926.52)
SUPPORT/MARKETING EXPENSE	227,026.38	249,000.00	(21,973.62)
TAXES - GENERAL	1,306.88	2,000.00	(693.12)
TV TO SCHOOLS	144,350.00	190,000.00	(45,650.00)
UTILITIES	19,688.88	12,000.00	7,688.88
CHAMPIONS FOR CHARACTER EXPENSE	44,597.88	70,000.00	(25,402.12)
WEBSITE TECHNOLOGY	88,994.66	75,000.00	13,994.66
Total Expense	8,812,600.47	8,482,800.00	329,800.47
Net Ordinary Income	19,080.87	0.00	19,080.87
Net Income	19,080.87	0.00	19,080.87

Marketing Report

>>> CIF-SS Official Balls

All Official balls have been Officially extended (See what I did there) 😊

- **Wilson** (5-year extension; through 2031)
 - Basketball
 - Beach Volleyball
 - Flag Football
 - Tackle Football
 - Soccer
- **Rawlings** (5-year extension; through 2031)
 - Baseball
 - Softball
- **KAP7** (5-year extension; through 2031)
 - Water Polo
- **Mikasa** (5-year extension; through 2031)
 - Indoor Volleyball
- **PENN** (2-year extension; through 2028)
 - Tennis

All member schools have been sent the "Approved for Play" models for each sport.

This document can also be found on our website under "Resources → Official Balls"

>>> Athletic Administrator's Summit

Date: Monday, October 5th, 2026

Location: Riverside Convention Center, Riverside

Time: 8:00am-2:00pm

Keynote Speaker: Brett Ledbetter (www.whatdriveswinning.com)

Registration: *VERY IMPORTANT* If you plan to attend the summit, please register on www.cifss.org and click "**CHECK**" as your method of payment. DO NOT send in a check. All Executive Committee members are covered by the CIF-SS office.

Registering assists us with the head count and that your credential is accurate 😊

>>> Marketing Update!

I am very excited to introduce you to our new Marketing & Corporate Partnerships Coordinator, **Breanna Bernard-Joseph**! Breanna was a stand-out track & field athlete at Roosevelt High School claiming a State title in the 300m hurdles. (41.76 -Unreal!) She then continued her academic & athletic career at the University of Southern California majoring in Communication studies. Go Trojans! Breanna brings an amazing creative eye to the department, exciting new ideas, and a love for high school sports that we all share! I am extremely excited to bring her passion and enthusiasm to our office and see what the new year holds for us!



C. I. F. SOUTHERN SECTION
Treasurer's Report
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I. CIF-SS ANNUAL AUDIT (2025-26):

- A. Auditors will be on site for fieldwork in October/November.
- B. Windes renewed as auditing firm for the third year.

II. FINANCIAL NOTABLES (2025-26):

- A. GoFan partnership
 - 1. 2025-26 online tickets sold = 427,648 (\$171,059 revenue share).
 - 2. Down 10,845 tickets & down \$4,338 revenue share from 2024-25.

III. MEMBERSHIP SPORTS FEES (2026-27):

- A. To date...
 - 1. 184 of 543 member schools PAID = **34%**
 - 2. 509 of 543 member schools INVOICE CREATED = **94%**
 - 3. Solid so far at 8/5/2026, Sports Fees due 10/1/2026.

IV. CIF SOUTHERN SECTION HISTORY (113 years):

- A. Chelsea Olson, 134th employee (January, 2026)
- B. Alicia Seevers, 135th employee (July, 2026)
- C. Alysha Colladay, 136th employee (July, 2026)
- D. Breanna Bernard Joseph, 137th employee (July, 2026)
- E. Kayla Mills, 138th employee (August, 2026)
- F. Cailey Sanchez-Collado, 139th employee (August, 2026)
- G. Average employee service time:
 - 1. 17 employees of CIF-SS staff on 6/30/2026 = 11.33 years
 - 2. 20 employees of CIF-SS on 8/10/2026 = 7.31 years
- H. Average employee age:
 - 1. 17 employees of CIF-SS staff on 6/30/2026 = 48.63
 - 2. 20 employees of CIF-SS on 8/10/2026 = 43.16 years

Prepared by:
MITCH CARTY, Chief Financial Officer