

California Public Employees' Retirement System

Board of Administration Pension & Health Benefits Committee Meeting Minutes

June 21, 2023

The Pension & Health Benefits Committee (PHBC) met in Open Session on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, in the Lincoln Plaza North Building, 400 Q Street, Sacramento, California.

The meeting was called to order at 9:21 a.m. with the following members present:

Ramon Rubalcava, Chair
Jose Luis Pacheco, Vice Chair
Lynn Paquin for Malia Cohen
David Miller
Kevin Palkki
Theresa Taylor
Yvonne Walker
Mullissa Willette

Other Board Members Present:

Frank Ruffino for Fiona Ma
Lisa Middleton

Agenda Item 2 – Executive Report(s)

Kim Malm, Interim Deputy Executive Officer, Customer Services and Support (CSS) provided updates on the upcoming CBEEs and announced Sharon Hobbs as the new Division Chief over Disability and Survivor Benefits Division.

Don Moulds, Chief Health Director, Health Policy & Benefits Branch (HPBB), gave an update on medical inflation and its impacts on the health premiums discussion today.

Agenda Item 3 – Action Consent Items

On **MOTION** by Jose Luis Pacheco and **SECONDED** and **CARRIED**, the Committee voted to accept the following Action Consent Items:

- 3a. Approval of the March 14, 2023, PHBC Meeting Minutes
- 3b. Approval of the June 21, 2023, PHBC Meeting Timed Agenda

Agenda Item 4 – Information Consent Items

The Committee accepted the following Information Consent Items:

- 4a. Annual Calendar Review
- 4b. Draft Agenda for the September 19, 2023, PHBC Meeting

Agenda Item 5a – Preliminary 2024 Health Maintenance Organization and Preferred Provider Organization Plan Premiums

Rob Jarzombek, Division Chief, Health Plan Research & Administration Division (HPRA), presented an update on the Rate Development Process (RDP) and the 2024 preliminary premiums for California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) health plans.

The following people spoke on this item:
David Aguinaldo, CDTFA employee
Larry Woodson, CSR
J.J. Jelincic
Elnora Fretwell

Agenda Item 5b – Summary of Committee Direction

Mr. Moulds provided a summary of the Committee direction from the June 21, 2023, meeting. The Committee directed staff as follows:

- Enhance the letter to members receiving a 9% or higher premium increase to include additional and regional information about alternative pricing and options. As well as remind them of the tools in myCalPERS and the CalPERS website, which includes viewing which plans include which doctors.
- Deliver the message to the plans to sharpen their pencils before July.
- Provide the Board any additional information in preparation for the July meeting.

Agenda Item 5c – Public Comment

The Committee received Public Comment from Larry Woodson, California State Retirees, who spoke on continued opposition for ACO Reach, and the hope to agendize the discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

The next meeting of the PHBC is scheduled for September 19, 2023, in Sacramento, California.

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