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**CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

**BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION  
PENSION & HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

**February 19, 2014**

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The Pension and Health Benefits Committee met on Wednesday, February 19, 2014, in the Lincoln Plaza North Building, 400 Q Street, Sacramento, California.

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m. with the following members present:

Priya Mathur, Chair  
George Diehr, Vice Chair  
Michael Bilbrey  
Howard Schwartz for Julie Chapman  
Terry McGuire for John Chiang  
Rob Feckner  
JJ Jelincic  
Henry Jones  
Grant Boyken for Bill Lockyer

**AGENDA ITEM 2 – ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Priya Mathur was elected Chair, and George Diehr was elected Vice Chair, of the Pension and Health Benefits Committee.

**AGENDA ITEM 3 – EXECUTIVE REPORT(S)**

Ann Boynton, Deputy Executive Officer, Benefit Programs Policy and Planning, provided an update on the following items: the new Public Agency Project; the Long-Term Care Program; health plan rate discussions; and, the Draft Pension Beliefs that staff will be bringing to the Committee in March.

Donna Lum, Deputy Executive Officer, Customer Services and Support, provided information on the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Retirement Fairs and member communication efforts.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 4 – CONSENT ITEMS**

The Committee accepted the following Action Consent Items:

- 4a. Approval of the December 17, 2013, Pension and Health Benefits Committee Meeting Minutes

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5 – CONSENT ITEMS**

The Committee accepted the following Information Consent Items:

- 5a. Annual Calendar Review
- 5b. Draft Agenda for March 18, 2014, Pension and Health Benefits Committee Meeting
- 5d. Public Agency Recruitment and Retention for the Health Benefit Program

Agenda Item 5c was removed from the Consent Items.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 6 – HEALTH PLAN REGIONS FOR CONTRACTING AGENCIES**

Ann Boynton, Deputy Executive Officer, Benefit Programs Policy and Planning; Doug McKeever, Chief, Health Plan Research Division; and, James DeBenedetti, Health Plan Research Division, presented staff's analysis of current county regions for contracting agencies and relative healthcare costs to determine if changes to the regions for contracting agency premiums should be changed.

At the request of staff, the Committee did not act on the adoption of new health benefit regions for contracting agencies. The Committee directed staff to incorporate into an on-going project on contracting agency and employee needs related to health benefits, a specific evaluation of regions for possible adoption for the 2016 rates. In addition, the Committee directed the staff to evaluate the options related to the current Sacramento region and several surrounding counties and bring back a recommendation in March for adoption in 2015 rates.

The following people spoke on this item:

- Mina Layba, City of Thousand Oaks
- Jim Purtee, City of Simi Valley
- John Perry, City of West Sacramento
- Sheila McShane, City of Woodland
- Blair Howard, Davis Teachers Association

#### **AGENDA ITEM 7 – HEALTHIER U: CALIFORNIA STATE EMPLOYEE WORKPLACE WELLNESS PILOT**

As an information item, Ruth Holton-Hodson, State Controller's Office (SCO); Ralph Cobb, California Department of Human Resources (CalHR); and, Sarah Zimmerman with Service Employees' International Union (SEIU), presented an update on the Healthier U State Employee Workplace Wellness Pilot. The project is a collaboration

between SEIU, SCO, State Treasurer's Office, CalHR and CalPERS to create an evidence-based workplace wellness program with measureable health outcomes.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 8 – CUSTOMER SERVICES AND SUPPORT PERFORMANCE UPDATE**

As an information item, Donna Lum, Deputy Executive Officer, Customer Services and Support and Anthony Suine, Chief, Benefit Services Division, provided an update on the status of program performance within the Customer Service and Support Group.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 9 – CASTLIGHT HEALTH – PROJECT OVERVIEW AND MEMBER ENGAGEMENT TOOL**

As an information item, representatives from Castlight Health; Naomi Allen, Dr. Jennifer Schneider and Ben Sommer, provided an overview and online demonstration of the Anthem Blue Cross/Castlight Health pilot project. The goal of the pilot is to help our Preferred Provider Organization members make informed choices when selecting medical and pharmaceutical services.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 10 – HEALTH PLAN OPEN ENROLLMENT RESULTS**

As an information item, Doug McKeever, Chief, Health Policy Research Division, provided information on member movement between plans during the open enrollment period. In total, 69,562 of CalPERS total covered lives changed plans, which was a 50 percent increase from the previous year.

The following people spoke on this item:

Amy Glass, California Nurses Association  
Ruth Somara, California Nurses Association  
Mike Killingsworth, Keep Manteca Safe Committee

#### **AGENDA ITEM 11 – PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

#### **AGENDA ITEM 5c – RETIREE COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT UPDATE**

As an information item, Anthony Suine, Chief, Benefit Services Division, provided a brief update on the cost-of-living adjustment CalPERS retirees will receive in May 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

The next meeting of the Pension and Health Benefits Committee is scheduled for March 18, 2014, in Sacramento, California.

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