


CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

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

August 18, 2015



The Pension & Health Benefits Committee met in Open Session on Tuesday, August 18, 2015, in the Lincoln Plaza North Building, 400 Q Street, Sacramento, California.

The meeting was called to order at 10:26 a.m. with the following members present:

Priya Mathur, Chair
Michael Bilbrey, Vice Chair
Grant Boyken for John Chiang
Rob Feckner
Katie Hagen for Richard Gillihan
JJ Jelincic
Henry Jones
Theresa Taylor
Alan LoFaso for Betty Yee

Other Board Members Present:

Dana Hollinger
Ron Lind
Bill Slaton

Priya Mathur, Chair, Pension & Health Benefits Committee (PHBC), took a point of personal privilege to honor and recognize Ann Boynton, Deputy Executive Officer, Benefit Programs Policy and Planning, for her work with the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) and presented Ms. Boynton with a Resolution from the Board of Administration.

AGENDA ITEM 2 – EXECUTIVE REPORT(S)

Donna Lum, Deputy Executive Officer, Customer Services and Support, updated the Committee on the recent CalPERS Benefit Education Event; current marketing efforts to promote CalPERS health program; and the upcoming Open Enrollment.

Ms. Boynton briefly highlighted the discussions planned for the PHBC meeting.

ITEM 3 – CONSENT ITEMS

The Committee accepted the following Action Consent Item:

3a. Approval of the June 16, 2015, Pension & Health Benefits Committee Meeting Minutes.

AGENDA ITEM 4 – CONSENT ITEMS

The Committee accepted the following Information Consent Items:

4a. Annual Calendar Review

4b. Draft Agenda for September 16, 2015, Pension & Health Benefits Committee meeting

AGENDA ITEM 5 – ADOPTION OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS – PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP

Doug McKeever, Chief, Health Policy Research Division, presented the proposed Parent-Child Relationship (PCR) regulations which would clarify PCR health enrollment eligibility standards for both employers and members, and provide our employers clear authority to require health plan subscribers to submit specific documents, in addition to the Affidavit, that substantiate their parental role within that PCR.

Henry Jones moved staff's recommendation to adopt the proposed regulations (Attachment 1) and *Affidavit of Parent-Child Relationship*, which clarify health enrollment eligibility standards for a Parent-Child Relationship. The motion was seconded and carried.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – FEDERAL HEALTH CARE POLICY REPRESENTATIVES UPDATE

Chris Jennings, Jennings Policy Strategies, provided an update to the Committee via telephone regarding the recent developments on issues of interest to CalPERS in relation to federal health care policy.

AGENDA ITEM 7 – FEDERAL RETIREMENT POLICY REPRESENTATIVES UPDATE

Tony Roda, Williams and Jensen and Tom Lussier, The Lussier Group, Inc., provided an update to the Committee via telephone regarding recent developments on issues of interest to CalPERS in relation to federal retirement policy.

AGENDA ITEM 8 – CUSTOMER SERVICE AND SUPPORT PERFORMANCE UPDATE

Ms. Lum and Anthony Suine, Chief, Benefit Services Division, presented the Customer Service and Support Performance Dashboard for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2014-15 and highlighted projects designed to enhance customer service.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – EXCISE TAX ON HIGH COST EMPLOYER-SPONSORED HEALTH COVERAGE

Mr. McKeever and Jan Falzarano, Health Policy Research Division, provided information on the components of the excise tax, outlined nationwide employer strategies and provided hypothetical impacts of the tax to all CalPERS health plans throughout the state.

AGENDA ITEM 10 – WELLNESS STRATEGY UPDATE

Mr. McKeever and Ms. Falzarano presented information on activities to research the potential adoption of a CalPERS health and wellness solution.

AGENDA ITEM 11 – RECENT RETIREMENT RESEARCH

Stacie Sormano Walker, Chief, Retirement Research Program Division, presented recent research related to retirement security and industry leadership.

AGENDA ITEM 12 – PUBLIC COMMENT

The Committee received public comment from CT Webber regarding Excise Tax and Wendy Lack regarding a Public Records Act request.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:54 p.m.

The next meeting of the Pension & Health Benefits Committee is scheduled for September 16, 2015, in Sacramento, California.

Attachment

DOUG P. McKEEVER
Deputy Executive Officer
Benefit Programs Policy and Planning