

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
INSURANCE, BENEFITS & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
and  
BOARD OF RETIREMENT\*

LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

GATEWAY PLAZA - 300 N. LAKE AVENUE, SUITE 810, PASADENA, CA 91101

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2015, 12:50 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

PRESENT: Les Robbins, Chair  
Alan Bernstein, Vice Chair  
William de la Garza  
Vivian H. Gray (*arrived at 12:55 p.m.*)  
Ronald Okum, Alternate

**ALSO ATTENDING:**

BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE

Anthony Bravo  
Yves Chery  
David Muir

STAFF, ADVISORS, PARTICIPANTS

Cassandra Smith  
Leilani Ignacio  
Barry Lew

Aon Hewitt

Kirby Bosley

CVS/Caremark

Eric Bluhm  
Jeremy Sarich

The meeting was called to order by Chair Robbins at 12:50 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Approval of the minutes of the special meeting of May 21, 2015

Mr. Bernstein made a motion, Mr. Robbins seconded, to approve the minutes of the special meeting of May 21, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

III. ACTION ITEMS

A. Recommendation as submitted by Barry W. Lew, Legislative Affairs Officer: That the Committee recommend the Board of Retirement adopt a "Support" position on HR 973, which would enact the "Social Security Fairness Act of 2015." (Memorandum dated May 20, 2015)

Mr. Bernstein made a motion, Ms. Gray seconded, to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Recommendation as submitted by Barry W. Lew, Legislative Affairs Officer: That the Committee recommend the Board of Retirement adopt a "Watch" position on HR 711, which would enact the "Equal Treatment of Public Servants Act of 2015." (Memorandum dated May 20, 2015)

Mr. Bernstein made a motion, Ms. Gray seconded, to approve the recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. FOR INFORMATION

A. Staff Activities Report for May, 2015

The staff activities report was discussed.

IV. FOR INFORMATION (Continued)

B. Change of Disease Management Carrier from Alere

Disease management programs are designed to provide a means for members to make more effective health care decisions while facing chronic health care conditions. Effective July 1, 2015, Alere, the current disease management carrier for the Anthem Blue Cross I, II, and III plans, will be replaced by Pharmacy Advisor and Accordant to provide disease management and support for an even broader range of chronic conditions. All members participating in the Alere program will be proactively targeted for participation in the new programs.

Messrs. Bluhm and Sarich from CVS Caremark gave a brief presentation introducing the two new providers, with emphasis on the types of services each provides.

C. CIGNA & Anthem Blue Cross Claims Experience

The CIGNA & Anthem Blue Cross Claims Experience reports through April 2015 were discussed.

D. Federal Legislation

- Aon Hewitt Washington Report

Submitted for information only.

V. GOOD OF THE ORDER

(For information purposes only)

VI. ADJOURNMENT *and*  
SET TIME FOR OPERATIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m., after setting the time for the Operations Oversight Committee at 1:35 p.m.

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