

CITY OF DETROIT POLICE AND FIRE RETIREE HEALTHCARE TRUST



Admin Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 9, 2024

9:30 am at BeneSys Office, Troy, MI via In-Person and via Conference Call

Trustees:

Chet Opolski
Tracy Shippy
Dan Bojalad
Brian Roehl
Rick Kosmack
Greg Trozak

Role:

Chair
Vice-Chair
Trustee
Trustee
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Trustee

Others present: Louis Sinagra (via phone)

Legal Representation: Aaron Castle

BeneSys Representation: Violet Gjorgjevski and Jennifer Crosby

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 am.

Motion – To accept the agenda dated September 9, 2024: By D. Bojalad, seconded by B. Roehl.

- Motion Carried – Unanimously

Copy of the previously approved Administrative Committee Meeting minutes from August 12, 2024, were presented.

Public Comment – None

Financial Consultant

Mr. Green provided the Administrative Committee with information regarding how an Election Year potentially impacts Market performance. The information provided showed that historically, there are slight differences in how the market performs, with various mixes of partisan control and mixed government/gridlock/status quo being the best for performance.

The market tends to do just fine regardless of who is in office. Hardly enough to make dramatic plan-altering decisions in your investment portfolio.

Administrator Report/Administrative Committee Report

Ms. Crosby updated the Administrative Committee that the 2025 Open Enrollment materials have been sent to the printer, proofs have been provided and approved. Printing is now in progress, and we are on track for the mailings to go out as the Board wished. The current enrollment letters are to be mailed by September 25th and the packets mailed by September 30th.

Business Agent Report

A. Priority Health – Prior Authorization

Mr. Opolski stated that he continues to receive calls from participants who are getting letters from Priority Health informing them that procedures or medications have been denied because prior authorization is required. He reached out to Mr. Robert's to get assistance as to how to respond to these calls. Mr. Robert's gave a reminder that emergencies do not require prior authorization. And gave a couple of FAQs that Mr. Opolski could share with participants.

New Business

A. 2025 Administrative Committee Meeting Notice Draft

B. 2025 Board Meeting Notice Draft

Ms. Crosby presented the 2025 Administrative Committee and Board Meeting notice drafts so that Trustees can start discussing scheduling for next year.

C. Priority Health Open Enrollment Documents

Ms. Berkley from Priority Health had emailed Mr. Opolski two documents this morning that she wanted to get feedback on by the end of the week. These documents will be used as handouts at the Open Enrollment meetings and on the Participant Website. The Administrative Committee reviewed and discussed the documents and Ms. Crosby will provide feedback to Ms. Berkley.

Unfinished Business

A. BeneSys – Member HRA Overpayment

Ms. Crosby updated the Admin Committee that Mr. Castle provided a second letter to be mailed out to this member and they have until September 13, 2024, to submit the \$33 that was overpaid to them. As of today, nothing has been received.

Correspondence

A. BeneSys Navigator 3rd Quarter 2024

Trustee Comment/Open Forum

Legal Report

Motion – To enter into closed session at 9:50 am to discuss with legal counsel trial/settlement strategy matters related to the ongoing litigation with the State regarding VEBA grant funds: **By B. Roehl, seconded by R. Kosmack.**

- Roll call vote: Opolski – yes
Kosmack – yes
Bojalad – yes
Roehl – yes
Trozak – yes
Shippy - yes

Motion – To return to open session at 10:14 am: **By R. Kosmack, seconded by T. Shippy.**

- Motion Carried – Unanimously

Adjournment

Motion – To adjourn the Administrative Committee Meeting: **By G. Trozak, seconded by T. Shippy.**

Motion Carried – Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.