

CITY OF DETROIT POLICE AND FIRE RETIREE HEALTHCARE TRUST



Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 25, 2022

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

Trustees:

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

Role:

Chairman
Trustee
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Others present: Erik Burger, Graystone Consulting (via phone)

Floyd Allen (via phone)

Louis Sinagra (via phone)

Legal Representation: Aaron Castle

BeneSys Representation: Violet Gjorgjevski and Jennifer Crosby

The meeting was held In-Person at the BeneSys Office, Troy, MI

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

Motion – To accept the agenda for April 25, 2022: ***By D. Bojalad, seconded by B. Roehl.***

- Motion Carried – Unanimously

Public Comment - None

Regular Minutes

Motion – To approve the Admin Committee Meeting Minutes and Closed Meeting Minutes from February 14, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes from February 28, 2022, Admin Committee Meeting Minutes from March 14, 2022, and Admin Committee Meeting Minutes and Closed Meeting Minutes from April 11, 2022 as presented: ***By B. Roehl, seconded by T. Shippy.***

- Motion Carried – Unanimously

Graystone Financial – Erik Burger (via phone)

E. Burger gave a brief update on the B Notes. The B Notes have fallen to \$84.18. There has been very minimal activity. First quarter performance for 2022 shows a decrease of 2.6% but investments are still fairing well considering the market right now.

Financial Reports

BeneSys provided the March 2022 Morgan Stanley Statement for review.

BeneSys provided the March 2022 Fifth Third Statement for review.

BeneSys provided the February 2022 Financial Statements for review.

Motion – to review and accept the Morgan Stanley, Fifth Third, BeneSys Financial Statement as provided and to pay the Bills for Approval: ***By R. Kosmack, seconded by B. Roehl.***

- Motion Carried – Unanimously

Administrative Reports

A. BeneSys Fee Renewal

Ms. Gjorgjevski presented the BeneSys 3rd Amendment to Admin Service Agreement to the Board for review.

B. BeneSys 3rd Amendment to Admin Service Agreement

Ms. Gjorgjevski presented the BeneSys 3rd Amendment to Admin Service Agreement to the Board for review.

Motion – to approve and execute the BeneSys Fee Renewal and the BeneSys 3rd Amendment to Admin Service Agreement as presented: ***By B. Roehl, seconded by D. Bojalad.***

- Motion Carried – Unanimously

C. Claims Turn Around Time Report 4th Quarter 2021

Ms. Crosby is working on the follow up for this report and will present it at the Admin Committee Meeting.

D. Claims Performance Guarantee Report 4th Quarter 2021

Ms. Crosby presented the Claims Performance Guarantee Report for 4th Quarter 2021 to the Board. BeneSys met the performance guarantee for 4th Quarter 2021.

E. Appeals

a. 2817959127

b. 2831978356

This matter is being handled in Closed Session at the end of meeting.

Legal Report

A. HRA Claims

Mr. Castle presented a draft amendment of the VEBA Plan Document for review and discussion with the Board. The amendment will require participants to respond to requests for additional information from BeneSys within 30 days of the date the letter informing them.

Motion – to approve the amendment of the VEBA Plan Document as presented: ***By R. Kosmack, seconded by R. Kosmack.***

- Motion Carried – Unanimously

B. BeneSys Contract Amendment

Mr. Castle updated the Board that negotiations have been ongoing with BeneSys regarding a draft amendment to the existing Admin Service Agreement, reflecting the proposed fee reductions that were presented to the Admin Committee and recommended for Board approval.

C. Professional Due Diligence

Mr. Castle reminded the Board that they have a due-diligence policy to review its professional advisors and service providers on a 5-year rotating schedule. The Board has completed reviews of VanOverbeke, Michaud and Timmony and BeneSys. It was determined that the review of Plante Moran will take place when they present the Audit for December 31, 2021.

D. Boyd Watterson

Mr. Castle updated the Board that contract negotiations are ongoing with Boyd Watterson. Boyd Watterson's proposed revisions in the draft Side Letter Agreements prepared by his office were inconsistent with previously agreed upon side letters with other VMT clients. This was pointed out to Boyd Watterson, and they are reconsidering the draft Side Letter as originally presented.

Correspondence

These items were presented to the Board for informational purposes.

A. BeneSys Navigator Q1 2022

B. DFFA Office Bulletin – Retiree VEBA Update

Business Agent Report

Mr. Opolski updated the Board that the phone calls he is receiving are for forms and normal business. He continues to work with Ms. Crosby to assist members. He also stated that there are members of the post January 1, 2015 VEBA trying to enroll into Priority Health not realizing they are not participants in this VEBA.

New Business - None

Unfinished Business

A. 2021 Audit w/Plante Moran

Ms. Gjorgjevski updated the Board that BeneSys has been working diligently with Plante Moran to complete the Audit for December 31, 2021.

B. Priority Health Renewal 2023

Mr. Opolski and Ms. Shippy have been meeting with LaDom from Priority Health to discuss renewal for 2023 and suggestions for benefit enhancements. In addition, they have been discussing the issues that are still happening with Priority Health Customer Service not giving correct information regarding hearing aids.

C. Great American – Fiduciary Liability Policy Renewal

Mr. Castle updated the Admin Committee that the Application and required reporting has been provided to Great American so they can prepare a quote.

Trustee Comment/Open Forum – None

Mr. Sinagra left the meeting at 10:14 am as the Board was entering closed session.

Motion – To enter into closed session at 10:14 am to address administrative related matter containing confidential personal health information under HIPAA: ***By D. Bojalad, seconded by B. Roehl.***

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

The Board returned to open session at 10:27 am.

Motion – to approve the Level 2 Appeal for participant 2817959127: ***By B. Roehl, seconded by D. Bojalad.***

- Motion Carried – Unanimously

Motion – to deny the Level 2 Appeal for participant 2845377014 as untimely: ***By B. Roehl, seconded by T. Shippy.***

- Motion Carried – Unanimously

Adjournment

Motion – to adjourn: ***by D. Bojalad, seconded by R. Kosmack.***

- Motion Carried - Unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 10:28 am.