

School Employees' Health Benefits Program
Plan Design Committee
Open Session Minutes
June 17, 2024

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided through the annual notice of the schedule of regular meetings of the Commission filed with and prominently posted in the offices of the Secretary of State. The 2024 annual meeting schedule was mailed to the Secretary of State on December 29, 2023, and Star Ledger and the Trenton Times on December 29, 2023. Updates regarding the telephonic meeting were sent to the Secretary of State on December 29, 2023.

The meeting of the State Health Benefits Commission of New Jersey was called to order on Monday, June 17, 2024. The meeting took place at the Division of Pensions and Benefits in Trenton.

The text of Resolution A (Closed Session) and Resolution B (Executive Session) were read in their entirety in the event that the Commission desires, at any point in the meeting, to approve a motion to go into Closed or Executive session.

Kelly Fields took Roll Call and established that a quorum was present.

Committee Members:

John Megariotis, Chair
Sarah Favinger
Donna Chiera
Tariq Shabazz
Denise Graff Policastro
Kelly Fields, Secretary

Also Present:

Joyce Malerba
Theresa Williams
Paul Sarti
Alison Keating

AON Team:

Jon Pipas
Joseph Tappe
Paul Koch
Becky Searles
Nick West
Jeevat Chhatwal
Patience Boden
Connie Chen

Absent:

Andrea Spalla

Donna Chiera made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from February 26, 2024. Sarah Favinger seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

Donna Chiera made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from April 15, 2024. Sarah Favinger seconded the motion, all voted in favor.

AON Presentation:

Jon Pipas, Joe Tappe, and Paul Koch presented the impacts around EGWP plan related to the Inflation Reduction Act. The EGWP plan is a group benefit that gets offered to a group of employees or retirees. AON touched base on the utilization of higher cost medications, cost impacts, and risk models.

New/Old Business:

Kelly Fields stated Aetna is working on providing the Division with more information on the Hackensack Meridian dispute. Kelly Fields sent an email around to the committee members with an update. At this time, they are still in negotiations and the division will share more information as we receive it from Aetna.

Adjournment

Donna Chiera made a motion to adjourn. Sarah Favinger seconded the motion, all voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Fields".

Kelly Fields
Acting Secretary
School Employees' Health
Benefits Plan Design Committee