

# College-wide Benefits Committee Minutes of the Meeting March 22, 2011

## **Present**

Fran Chandler, Co-Chair Marcia Wade, Co-Chair

Anna Rojas Al Vasquez Dennis Frisch Lenore Banders Linda Sinclair Sherri Lee-Lewis Willis Barton

## **Assistants**

Vanna Ratnaransy, HR Analyst-Leaves & Benefits Laurie Heyman, HR AA-III-Confidential

The meeting was called to order at 2:40 pm.

## **Approval of the Minutes**

Minutes for the meeting of March 16, 2011 Move to accept the minutes:

Motion made by: Linda Sinclair Seconded by: Sherri Lee-Lewis

Ayes: 8 Noes: 0

Abstain: 1 (due to absence at 3/16/11 meeting)

## Discussion: Long Term Care Insurance

- The following questions (and subsequent answers) were asked by the committee in the 3/16/11 meeting after the presentation by K. Perry.
- 1. Can the District offer LTCi from more than one company at a time?
  - o No; the companies will not compete against each other in the same venue and will not underwrite.
- How long does a decision to go with one company lock in the District?
   Not locked in.
- 3. Does Prudential offer a 5 year rate guarantee?

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o No.

- Rate guarantee is attractive, but looking at TransAmerica proposal, there is something regarding the premium being adjusted.
- May mean less frequent rate increases with larger jumps; premiums have gone up historically.
- What is guaranteed health purchase option?
- If you met the limited level of eligibility you are guaranteed ability to purchase.
- My guess is that they will stay competitive.
- I have LTCi through El Camino College; I have continued that product. Annual rate due first of the year, same rate as when I started.
- Are we ready to make any kind of recommendation on LTCi? That was the reason for this meeting.
- Is this something you want to offer employees?
- This is between individual staff members and the insurance company.
- Does anyone have really strong feelings, one way or the other?
- The presentation was skewed to TransAmerica.
- Despite that 'skewing' it is not a reason to distrust TransAmerica. In comparing the two products, the products are comparable, and I do like the 5 year (rate) guarantee as it allows for budgeting. Like Acura and Lexus, I'll go with the Acura because it is a little cheaper.
- I think the facility would be thinking in terms of premium cost and which company would offer the cheapest.
- I wish I had my mom on LTCi, but when it was offered the cost was prohibited due to her age. Having a LTCi option would have given us options. Having the ability to dialogue about this is important.
- I think the committee has decided.

### Motion:

Move that the committee recommend TransAmerica as a Long Term Care Insurance provider.

Motion made by: Dennis Frisch

Seconded by: Sherri Lee-Lewis

Ayes: 9 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0

## Further Discussion:

- HR will coordinate.
- Implementation to be ASAP.

#### Motion:

Move that we implement this as soon as possible.

Motion made by: Al Vasquez
Seconded by: Linda Sinclair

Ayes: 9 Noes: 0 Abstain: 0 College-wide Benefits Committee Minutes: March 22, 2011 April 19, 2011

Minutes to reflect that implementation shall be Fall 2011.

## Further Discussion:

- Meetings shall be moved to Tuesdays after the April 27 meeting.
- Next agenda: Consider comparison of medical insurance options.

## **Next Meetings:**

Wednesday, April 27
 1:30pm – 3:00pm Location Drescher Hall Loft
 (DPAC day)

• Tuesday, May 24 1:30pm – 3:00pm Location TBD

Meeting adjourned approximately 03:24pm.