

**ACRE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2012 10:00 AM**

President Wainscott:

- a. Open meeting, thanked Office and Public Relation for all they do
- b. Quorum 13 board members present.
- c. Presented minutes from July 18. Motion to accept by Nichols,
Second by McBryde, Approved by Board

Vice President Gary James: No new information

Insurance Chairman Bradley:

- a. MPA will have Open Enrollment for their Dental/Vision/Life Insurance Sept 17 thru October 12, 2012. Takes effect Jan 1, 2013 call 523-7075
- b. Flu shots are being offered by City must bring Cigna Card and Employee ID Sat Sept 22, 2012 at Hickory Hill Community Center, Thur Oct 4, 2012 @ Fire Training Academy, Thur Oct 18, 2012 City Hall Council Chambers, Tuesday Oct 30, 2012 Central Library, Thur Nov. 1, 2012 City Clinic.
- c. Health Fair on Sept 22, 2012
- d. August 21 two meetings one at 10:30 am and one at 2 pm, decided to accept City's offer of Healthcare increases of 6.2% on Active and Non Medicare members, with no raises for Medicare Members
- e. Brought up problems member and wife are having with copay for having their pace makers examined by the manufacturer. Still wait for decision from Pearl per Kenya Holmes
- f. Member could not get bills paid, went to benefits and learned that someone else is using her social security and had ran up 34 EOB's. City and Cigna investigating.
- g. Cigna is sending out ACS letters verifying your Medicare and any other Insurance. Kenya stated this would be stopped.
- h. Two company sources for hearing aids. Basic Plan will have to pay 10% of cost. Premier Plan as long as you stay under \$2500 for each ear will pay nothing but anything over \$5000 is member's responsibility.
- i. He thanked the Board for his fruit basket for his recent illness.

Secretary Lee

- a. Death Packet has been updated as well as telephone numbers.

Legal Advisor Kennan

- a. Nothing at this time

Treasurer Nichols

- a. Budget presented motion to accept by McCulley, 2nd by Melancon, approved

Pension Melancon

- a. \$1.922 billion in fund about 76.88% funded. Disability check up on hold, and the Pension Board is still short 1 member a Professional Private Citizen.

Public Relations and Webmaster Tim Cook

- a. 331 email addresses current, counter on website showed 22 hits per day, Newsletter should be mailed out tomorrow 1293.

**ACRE General Meeting
August 22, 2012**

President Wainscott

- a. **Called to order asked Richard McBryde to conduct the prayer and the pledge.**
- b. **Stated he was forming an Election Committee chaired by Frank Hester, with Freddie Hector, Freeman Marr, and Don Lewis.**

Article X of ACRE By-Laws

SECTION 4 – Election Committee The President shall appoint at least three (3) members to an election committee. The election committee shall conduct the election and upon completion of the voting, tabulate the votes, and report the results to the President

The President failed to appoint the Nominating Committee as required by bylaws. He was advised by the Secretary that the Nominating committee would need to be appointed at the Sept. 19 ACRE meeting.

SECTION 1 – Nominating Committee

The President shall appoint a nominating committee of at least three (3) members. Nominations will be accepted from the floor. No second will be necessary. Nominations are subject to qualifications in Section 5.

SECTION 5 – Qualifications for Office

1. Any candidate nominated for elective office shall have been a member in good standing for not less than twelve (12) months.
2. A member may not be nominated for more than one (1) office per election.
3. In order for a member in good standing to be eligible for nomination for the offices of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, or Secretary, said member must have served a minimum of one (1) year as an Executive Committee/Board Member, or on a standing committee, such as membership, benefits, etc., prior to nomination for the aforementioned offices.

Insurance Chairman Bradley

- a. **Open Enrollment will be Oct 8 through Oct. 19, must read the packet and make certain you fill out the affidavit if you are making changes**
- b. **To remove Spousal surcharge, spouse must have a primary insurance Medicare or private, spouse must get a statement from company that the insurance was creditable and that statement must be attached to new affidavit**
- c. **Brought up same information he presented in Executive Board. B, C, D, E, F, G, H**
- d. **Advised that on August 21, 2012 the City Admin agreed to a 6.2% premium increase for the Active and Non Medicare Retirees [down from the 10.9% originally requested]. The increase will be in effect the first check in December 2012. Medicare members will not be increased.**

President Wainscott

- a. **Recognized MPA President Michael Williams**
- b. **Turned the meeting over to Kenya Holmes the Cigna Local Representative.**

Kenya Holmes

- a. If you live out of town and need hearing aids she requested that the member contact her so she can help them locate an In Network Provider.
- b. If you have a bill that Cigna pays 100%, then they will not send out an EOB, but you can go online to Cigna and see it.
- c. As far as the couple with the Pacemakers who did not see the Dr. or the doctor's nurses, but saw the manufacturer's representative was now in Pearl Gibson's hand to decide if it was to be Lab Work or a Medical appointment. They learn that the checking of the pacemakers had the same code as Cigna's code. But UHC considers that code Lab and Cigna considers it specialists with the \$40 copay.

Legal Advisor Kennan

- a. Nothing new at this time

Secretary Lee

- a. Read out the rate increases approved last night at City Hall.
- b. Advised of the New Clinic with a \$15 payment for use

Pension Melancon

- a. \$1.922 billion in fund
- b. Disability Audit on Hold
- c. ACRE website has links to get you to numerous locations, especially the City website where you can look at all the data on yourself after setting up a user's name and password.

Treasurer Nichols

- a. Gave the current legal fund, checking, savings, and C.D. [see budget report]
- b. We are solvent and all bills are paid

Public Relations/Webmaster

- a. Now has 331 email addresses. Add after last newsletter and believes this will be the case with this newsletter
- b. Put a counter on website and had 276 hits in 13 days with average of 22 hits per day
- c. Newsletter is at Printer's and should be mailed out to 1,293. Copies will be left at MPA, MFA, Benefits, and City Hall. Printed 1400

President Wainscott Adjourned the meeting until September 19, 2012

***NOTE: President Wainscott prior to approval amended these minutes by changing the name from Election Committee to Nominating Committee with the same members as listed
Nichols made motion, 2nd by Cook and unanimous approved changes.***

Motion to accept: D. Walden 2nd by: T. Cook Approved: Unanimous