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Executive Committee Minutes

MUNICIPALITIES, COLLEGES, SCHOOLS INSURANCE GROUP

Thursday, November 30, 2023

Board Members Present: Steve McDougall, Ana Aguillon, Yvonne Perez, Yolanda Salazar, Patricia Garfoot, Glen Hanneman, Ryan Altemeyer

Board Members Absent: Griselda Ortiz

Staff Present: Neddie Sarmiento, Executive Director
Joanne Hilario, Deputy Executive Director
Julia Hernandez, Executive Assistant

Others Present: Brandie Barrows, Taylor English
Mignon Strong, Blue Shield
Kelly Hall, Keenan & Associates
Christine Riley, Keenan & Associates
Tom Edwards, Keenan & Associates
Bordan Darm, Keenan & Associates
Eddie Barfield, Keenan & Associates
Kayla Valentine, Hartnell College

1. Call to Order

The President called the regular meeting of the Executive Committee to order at 11:31 a.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Patricia Garfoot

Seconded by: Glen Hanneman

Yea Steve McDougall, Ana Aguillon, Glen Hanneman, Ryan Altemeyer, Yvonne Perez, Patricia Garfoot and Yolanda Salazar

Carried

3. Comments from Audience
No comments.

4. Consent Agenda

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4.1 **Approve Regular Minutes:** Executive Committee Meeting:
October 26, 2023

Moved by: Glen Hanneman

Seconded by: Ana Aguillon

Yea Steve McDougall, Ana Aguillon, Glen Hanneman, Ryan Altemeyer, Yvonne Perez, Patricia Garfoot and Yolanda Salazar

Carried

5. Action Items

5.1 **Gag Clause Compliance Attestation - Brandie Barrows,
Taylor English**

Brandie Barrows, MCSIG’s legal counsel, reported that the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2021 requires group health plans to annually attest that they are in compliance with the Gag Clause Prohibition. The Gag Clause aims to increase transparency and prohibit plan sponsors from including gag clauses in their provider agreements that restrict service providers from sharing costs and quality of care with plan members. MCSIG is required to file the first Gag Clause Attestation by December 31, 2023. Subsequent attestations must be filed annually by December 31st.

The Executive Committee requested that MCSIG file the attestation on behalf of all member entities/employers per the recommendation of legal counsel.

Moved by: Glen Hanneman

Seconded by: Ana Aguillon

Yea Steve McDougall, Ana Aguillon, Glen Hanneman, Ryan Altemeyer, Yvonne Perez, Patricia Garfoot and Yolanda Salazar

Carried

6. Closing Comments

6.1 Comments from EC Members

The President announced the departure of Patricia Garfoot, thanked her for her service, and acknowledged her as a great asset to the Executive Committee.

6.2 Date/Agenda Items for Next Meetings:

January 25, 2024

6.3 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.