



Executive Committee Minutes
MUNICIPALITIES, COLLEGES, SCHOOLS INSURANCE GROUP

Thursday, March 28, 2024

Board Members Present: Steve McDougall, Glen Hanneman, Griselda Ortiz, Kati Bassler, Ryan Altemeyer, Nikki Herring, Ana Aguillon, Yvonne Perez

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

Others Present: Tom Edwards, Keenan & Associates
Bordan Darm, Keenan & Associates
Eddie Barfield, Keenan & Associates
Kelly Hall, Keenan & Associates
Christine Riley, Keenan & Associates
Brandie Barrows, Taylor English
Laurena Grabert, SETECH
Mignon Strong, Blue Shield
Mike Tonsing, Blue Shield
Jennifer Vinamont, Blue Shield
Nina Birnbaum, Blue Shield
Mina Aghareza, Transcarent
Leslie Stenner, Transcarent
Snezana Mahon, Transcarent
Sonia Saenz, CSEA/LWS Community Member

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1. Call to Order

The President called the regular meeting of the Executive Committee to

order at 1:30 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by: Kati Bassler

Seconded by: Nikki Herring

Yea Nikki Herring, Kati Bassler, Steve McDougall,
Griselda Ortiz, Ana Aguillon, Glen Hanneman,
Ryan Altemeyer, and Yvonne Perez




Carried 8-0

3. Comments from Audience

None.

4. Consent Agenda

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| 4.1 | Approve Minutes: Executive Committee Meeting:
Regular Meeting February 21, 2024
Workshop March 8, 2024
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| 4.2 | Receive FY24-25 COLA Calculation Pursuant to Policy 17 -
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Moved by: Kati Bassler

Seconded by: Griselda Ortiz

Yea Nikki Herring, Kati Bassler, Steve McDougall,
Griselda Ortiz, Ana Aguillon, Glen Hanneman,
Ryan Altemeyer, and Yvonne Perez

Carried 8-0

5. Action Items

5.1 Approve FY23-24 Mid-Year Budget Revision - Neddie Sarmiento

The Executive Director presented the revised FY23-24 budget for the Executive Committee's consideration. The revisions included:

- Member contributions and claims were adjusted to reflect changes in plan choices that resulted from Open Enrollment.
 - Note: about 200 members migrated from higher plan premiums into the PPO Select Plan.
- Claims were adjusted to account for the new Shield Support program that took effect on 3/1/2024.
- Vision claims were adjusted upward to reflect the trend
- MCSIG administration
 - Salaries and benefits decreased
 - Operating expenses decreased

The Executive Committee approved and recommended the same to the Full Board.

Moved by: Kati Bassler

Seconded by: Glen Hanneman

Yea Nikki Herring, Kati Bassler, Steve McDougall,
Griselda Ortiz, Ana Aguillon, Glen Hanneman,
Ryan Altemeyer, and Yvonne Perez

Carried 8-0

5.2 CHOMP Maternity Delivery Proposal w/Transcarent Program - Matthew Morgan & Rachel Biby, CHOMP, Tom Edwards,

Keenan & Associates

Matthew Morgan and Rachel Biby presented the CHOMP maternity delivery proposal with the Transcarent program. MCSIG's underwriter, Tom Edwards provided a data review comparing MCSIG claim costs for facility charges related to maternity delivery for the PPO plans to the CHOMP proposal to determine potential savings or costs to the JPA. After a lengthy discussion, the Executive Committee tabled this item to the April 25th meeting, pending additional data analysis.

Moved by: Kati Bassler

Seconded by: Ana Aguillon

Yea Nikki Herring, Kati Bassler, Steve McDougall, Griselda Ortiz, Ana Aguillon, Glen Hanneman, Ryan Altemeyer, and Yvonne Perez

Carried 8-0

6. Discussion Items

6.1 Transcarent Surgeries and Utilization - Michelle Tagg, Transcarent

Leslie Stenner and the Transcarent team presented utilization data and how MCSIG is doing compared to benchmark and savings. The utilization data showed that most surgery cases are taking place in Monterey County. The Executive Committee expressed concern that members are not traveling out of Monterey County facilities for their surgeries for greater savings. The Executive Committee directed Keenan & Associates to provide a preliminary report on Transcarent's surgical program and an RFP process for medical tourism at their April 2024 meeting. In addition, the Committee requested that Transcarent provide the following:

- Transcarent to provide list of providers 250 miles outside of Monterey County
- Transcarent to provide report of costs relative to savings for 251 surgery cases
- Transcarent to provide report of the location options that were provided to 251 members outside of

Monterey County

- Translucent to provide what the discount could have been at the facilities outside of Monterey County that were turned down by 251 members

6.2 Virtual Blue - Mike Tonsing and Mignon Strong, Blue Shield
Mike Tonsing of Blue Shield presented a Virtual Blue Presentation, as requested by the Executive Committee at their Workshop.

Virtual Blue is an integrated health plan, not a buy-up, that would provide virtual and in-person primary care, behavioral health, and specialty care for a cost of \$14 PMPM + claims costs.

6.3 Review Cost Considerations for Behavioral Health - Tom Edwards, Keenan & Associates

Due to time constraints, this item was tabled for a future meeting.

Moved by: Kati Bassler

Seconded by: Nikki Herring

Yea Nikki Herring, Kati Bassler, Steve McDougall, Griselda Ortiz, Ana Aguillon, Glen Hanneman, Ryan Altemeyer, and Yvonne Perez

Carried 8-0

7. Reports

7.1 Financial Reports - Laurena Grabert, SETECH

Laurena Grabert of SETECH presented financials to the Executive Committee through February 29, 2024.

7.2 Experience Reports - Bordan Darm, Keenan & Associates

Bordan Darm of Keenan provided medical, dental and vision claim experience for February 29, 2024.

7.3 Blue Shield Summary Reports - Mignon Strong, Blue Shield

Due to time constraints, the Executive Committee to review

summary reports at their leisure.

7.4 Executive Report - Neddie Sarmiento

The Executive Director presented on Aromas-San Juan Presentation and RFP, potential intent to join agencies, update from Altais Medical Group and an update on the Dependent Verification Audit.

8. Closed Session

8.1 The Board will meet to consider matter(s) appropriate for closed session in accordance

with Government Code sections Public Employee Performance Evaluation per Government Code 54957(b)(1): Executive Director Performance Review

The President reported out of closed session that the Executive Director appraisal was tabled to the April 25, 2024 Executive Committee Meeting.

9. Closing Comments

9.1 Comments from EC Members

None.

9.2 Date/Agenda Items for Next Meetings

April 25, 2024 @ 11:30 a.m.

9.3 Adjournment

The President adjourned the meeting at 4:03 p.m.