



November 6, 2013

To: Members of the Retirees Committee

From: Liz Koppenhaver, Chair, Retired Trustee

Subject: Summary of the November 6, 2013 Retirees Committee Meeting

Committee Chair Liz Koppenhaver called the November 6, 2013 meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Committee members present were Liz Koppenhaver, Elizabeth Rogers, and George Wood. Also present was alternate member David Safer. Staff present were Vincent Brown, Chief Executive Officer; Kathy Foster, Assistant Chief Executive Officer; Betty Tse, Chief Investment Officer; Margo Allen, Fiscal Services Officer; Marguerite Malloy, Associate Counsel; Rose Kwong, Benefits Manager; Latrena Walker, Projects and Information Services Manager; and Harsh Jadhav, Internal Audit Manager.

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items for discussion.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Health Care Reform Update – 3rd Quarter 2013

Keenan & Associates, ACERA's Benefits Consultant, provided information regarding Covered California, the Federal government shutdown, California legislation, the Cadillac plan definition and the Cadillac Tax.

2. Retiree Health Fair Results and Open Enrollment Activity

Sharen Stanek-Lowe, Assistant Benefits Manager, provided a verbal report on the results of the Retiree Health Fair and Wellness Center, including survey results, number of participating vendors and number of bio-metric screenings conducted by Kaiser. There were a total of 385 attendees compared to 506 attendees last year. In addition, she provided information on the Open Enrollment activity for Plan Year 2014. A written report, to include the cost of the Retiree Health Fair, will be provided at the December 2013 Committee meeting.

3. Semi-Annual Report on ACERA's Wellness Program

Sharen Stanek-Lowe, Assistant Benefits Manager, gave a presentation on ACERA's Wellness Program, which included the goals for 2013, results of Kaiser's chronic disease report, carrier measurements for the period 2008 through 2012, an overview of Delta Dental's Wellness Programs, and 2013 accomplishments.

4. Miscellaneous Updates

Sharen Stanek-Lowe, Assistant Benefits Manager, provided an update on the Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) through September 30, 2013. She also reported that in mid-October, the required notice was sent advising retirees enrolled in Extend Health individual medical plans that if they return to work in 2014, they will not be eligible to receive reimbursements for expenses through the HRA while employed.

TRUSTEE/PUBLIC INPUT

Trustee Liz Koppenhaver stated that she had received a request from Bill Foster to have the Committee reconsider providing the spouse of retirees who re-marry a continuance benefit. The Trustees agreed that this would not be an agenda item they would consider at this time.

Staff reported on the Alameda Health System's (AHS) nurse recertification program and will provide information on the number of nurses who plan to retire as a result of the recertification and the impact to Staff's workload. Staff also reported that it had recently received communications from AHS's Chief Executive Officer addressed to ACERA's Chief Executive Officer, Vincent Brown.

FUTURE DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Adoption of Medicare Part B Reimbursement Plan Benefit for 2014
- Adoption of Updates to Appendix A of 401(h) Account Resolutions

ESTABLISHMENT OF NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.