Health Insurance Trust Meeting – Minutes Thursday, June 20, 2019, 9:30AM Room 13 – Administration Building

Member Attendees:

Steve Barrett, Steve Noone, Margaret Dennehy, John Petersen

Absent: Peter Berry

Non-Member Attendees:

Tim Harrison, Sue Shilue, Jodi Phelan, Todd Vickstrom, Marie Altieri, Dave Verdolino, Diane Baum

1. Call to order:

- Meeting was called to order at 9:34am by the Secretary;
- Marie Altieri thanked Jodi Phelan for her service as Recording secretary for Trust meetings and introduced Todd Vickstrom who is Recording secretary effective today.

2. Election of Chair

- Call for nominations for chair, Steve Barrett by Margaret Dennehy, seconded by Steve Noone; discussion regarding staff member serving as chair of committee.
 The chair has historically been a trustee who is on a board, not a trustee who is a staff member;
- Margaret Dennehy withdrew nomination of Steve Barrett;
- Nomination of John Petersen for chair by Steve Barrett, seconded by Margaret Dennehy;
- Motion for John Petersen to serve as chair voted unanimously.

3. Election of Secretary

• Call for nominations, Steve Barrett by Steve Noone, seconded by Margaret Dennehy. Voted unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes

 Move to approve minutes, seconded, approved unanimously with John Petersen's abstention.

5. Discussion of Cash Flow

- Cash flow summary showed a loss of \$1.3 million through May 2019. The loss supports the goal to draw down the unrestricted assets of the Trust;
- An analysis was completed based on the negative variance in May 2019. There is a deficit in the analysis between April 2019 and May 2019, as well as a comparison between May 2018 and May 2019

- April 2019 claims at 50% of stop-loss *limit* \$3.4 million/27 people
- May 2019 claims at 50% of stop-loss *limit* \$4.2 million/34 people May 2018 to May 2019 Comparison:
- May, 2018 had 24 people at 50% mark for a total of \$1.9 million
- May, 2019 had 34 people at 50% mark for a total of \$4.2 million
- Discussion of whether increase in claims are due to one-time illness/accidents or ongoing, chronic illness; we are seeing many claims that are ongoing.

6. Discussion of Treasurer's Report

- Comment from Margaret Dennehy about previous discussion of Santander Bank about "Blue Ribbon" ranking, which was fixed due to Santander internal accounting. Acknowledgement from Margaret to Treasurer that Santander remains a viable choice for AB business.
- March 31st presentation of Balance Sheet with a YTD loss of \$810,000. Profit Loss reconciliation at loss of \$912,000. Income that is not part of the quarterly report accounts for variance between Cash Flow report (administrative costs, interest income, cash vs. actual timing differences);
- \$2.2 Million is in MMDT; other funds are with Santander (fully collateralized) and are transferred between high interest savings and checking accounts as needed;
- May showed high cost; discussion around possible causes, including the introduction of the HSA. As there is not yet a year's worth of HSA data and information, the interpretation of claims behavior with respect to deductibles would be premature.

7. Discuss and Vote on New Stop Loss Insurance Contract

- Current Stop-Loss policy with Blue Cross Blue Shield for claims over \$125,000;
 - Current cost is \$33.31 for individual; \$82.50 for family;
 - Three quotes were submitted to the Trust (Blue Cross, American Insurance). The AIC quotes were not competitive.
 - Blue Cross quote adjustment in stop-loss market across the board (increases), increase is \$27%;
 - If moved to \$150,000 threshold, would incur a 15% increase:
 - Sue Shilue presented an analysis of the prior three years at the \$125,000 threshold and a projection of costs at the \$150,000 threshold;
 - Every underwriter looks at claims differently, leading to different Lasers on every bid;
 - Appropriate to stay at \$125,000 threshold for FY20; going forward, it may make sense to look at \$150,000 threshold.
 - Correction to Family rate for BC/BS (\$106.14 vs. \$106.41)
- Motion to accept Blue Cross Blue Shield bid with \$125,000 threshold (\$37.65 individual and \$106.14 family) by Margaret Dennehy, unanimously approved;
- Cash Flow with new projection coming for September;

- Tracking to our goal of reducing the fund balance. Objective is to have a consistent premium experience while absorbing volatility in claims experience
- 8. Next Meeting: Meeting Schedule for Remainder of 2019
 - Tentatively scheduled for Thursday, September 26th at 8:15; remainder of FY20 meetings to be scheduled.
- 9. Call for other agenda topics for future meetings to be forwarded to John Petersen;
- 10. Adjourned at 10:20am by Chair

Handouts:

Meeting Agenda
Acton Health Insurance Trust Balance Sheet (Shilue)
Acton Reinsurance Quote and Analysis (Shilue)
AHT P&L Reconciliation (Harrison)
Cash Flow Summary Review (Harrison)