

**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND  
MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL  
MEDICAL AND LIFE INSURANCE PLAN**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING  
OPEN SESSION  
May 31, 2023**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. Brandon Denkler, Chairman  
Mr. Ben Reeser, Vice Chairman  
Ms. Javal Burton, Secretary-Treasurer  
Mr. Jeffery Padgett, MoDOT Retired Member  
Lt. Stephen Burgun, MSHP Member  
Ms. Amy Crawford, MoDOT Member  
Mr. Richard Coffey, MSHP Retired Member via phone

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ms. Holly Haarmann, MSHP Member

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ms. Melinda Grace-Beasley, Chief Counsel Staff  
Ms. Brook Luecke, Employee Benefits Staff

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Ms. Jami Rector, Anthem staff  
Ms. Sara Correnti, Anthem staff  
Dr. Richard Covert, Anthem staff  
Ms. Tara Keeven, PillarRx Staff  
Ms. Primrose Weiss, PillarRx Staff

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The meeting was called to order at 8:02 a.m.

**Consideration of Consent Agenda Items**– (It is the understanding of the Board for those items to be reviewed before the Board Meeting and will only be discussed if necessary) Consent Agenda items were as follows:

Approve Minutes from April 26, 2023 Board Meeting  
Financial Statement – April 2023 (not available)  
Central Bank Investment Report – April 2023  
2023 Year-to-Date Medical and Life Insurance Plan – Profit/Loss Report

Medical Plan Fund Account Balance-thru April 2023  
Claims and Contributions Report-thru April 2023  
Anthem Reports- April 2023

- Membership and Paid Amount by Month
- Medical Paid Amounts and Plan Savings
- Paid Claims Distribution
- Utilization by Setting

Mr. Reeser made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items. Ms. Crawford seconded; motion carried.

**Anthem Claims Summary (2022/2023)** – Mr. Denkler reported Plan medical claim payouts have decreased 12% when compared to 2022 through the fourth month of the 2023 calendar year.

**MoDOT/MSHP Prescription Drug Paid Claims Monthly Comparison (2022/2023)** - Mr. Denkler reported Plan prescription claim costs have increased 21% when compared to 2022 through the fourth month of the 2023 calendar year.

**Anthem** - Mr. Denkler welcomed Anthem staff to the meeting.

**First Quarter Update-** Ms. Correnti presented the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2023 report to the Board. Current medical spend decreased 12% per member per month when compared to the prior reporting period. This decrease is driven by the post 65 Medicare population being removed, which caused a 34% decrease in the high-cost claimant spend and 98% decrease in COVID-19 spend.

**PillarRx** – Mr. Denkler welcomed PillarRx staff to the meeting.

**First Quarterly Update-** Ms. Keeven presented the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2023 report to the Board. Ms. Keeven reported the Copay Assistance program has saved the Plan \$997,945.92 through 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2023. The Plan currently has 219 members utilizing drugs on Co-pay assistance with a total drug count of 48.

**Life Insurance RFP-** Final recommendation was discussed in Closed Session. Lt. Burgun made a motion to recommend MetLife as the life insurance carrier beginning January 1, 2024. Mr. Padgett seconded; motion carried.

**Medical RFP-** Final Recommendation was discussed in Closed Session. Mr. Coffey made a motion to recommend the incumbent Anthem BCBS as the medical insurance carrier beginning January 1, 2024. Mr. Padgett seconded; motion carried.

**Other Business-** None.

Mr. Padgett made a motion to adjourn at 10:25 a.m. Ms. Crawford seconded; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Javal Burton, Secretary-Treasurer  
Medical and Life Insurance Board of Trustees