

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CITIES SELF INSURANCE FUND
MINUTES OF NCCSIF CLAIMS COMMITTEE TELECONFERENCE MEETING
THURSDAY, May 21, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Michelle Pellegrino, City of Dixon
Bruce Cline, City of Folsom

Michael Daly, City of Jackson
Russell Hildebrand, City of Rocklin

MEMBERS ABSENT

Paula Islas, City of Galt

GUESTS & CONSULTANTS

Marcus Beverly, Alliant Insurance Services Jennifer Nogosek, York Risk Services
Michelle Minnick, Alliant Insurance Services Ben Burg, York Risk Services
Raychelle Maranan, Alliant Insurance Services Dori Zumwalt, York Risk Services

A. Call to Order

The Claims Committee was called to order at 11:10 a.m.

B. Public Comments

No public comments were made.

C. Approval of Agenda As Posted

A motion was made to approve the agenda as posted.

MOTION: Russell Hildebrand **SECOND:** Michael Daly **MOTION CARRIED**
AYES: Pellegrino, Cline
NAYS: None.

D. NCCSIF Claims Committee Minutes for Approval

1. Claims Committee Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2015 (Draft)
2. Claims Committee Special Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2015 (Draft)

A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented.

MOTION: Russell Hildebrand **SECOND:** Michelle Pellegrino **MOTION CARRIED**
AYES: Cline, Daly
NAYS: None.

E. Updated List of Approved Liability Counsel

Bruce Cline indicated the list of approved legal counsel is being provided as information only and the updated list will be finalized soon. The Claims Committee reviewed the list and made the following revisions:

- Brian Hayden of Donahue Davies LLP was removed from the approved liability legal counsel list.
- Address for Paul E. Lacy of University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law needs to be updated.
- Adding Stephanie Quinn of Murphy, Campbell, Alliston & Quinn, PLC to the Employment Practices Investigator list. It was noted Stephanie Quinn is also one of the approved liability legal counsel.
- Vincent Pastorino of University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law was removed from the Employment Practices Investigators list as he is no longer with the firm.

F. Closed Session – The Claims Committee went into closed session in accordance with Government Code Section 54956.95 at 11:14 a.m. and discussed the following claims:

Workers' Compensation

1. William Spears v. City of Willows
2. Michael Rose v. Yuba City

Liability

1. Walters & Young v. City of Jackson

G. Report from Closed Session

At 11:18 a.m. the Committee came out of Closed Session and announcement made that direction was provided to staff for the three claims referenced above.

H. Round Table Discussion

The Claims Committee discussed what the proper claim's appeal process is. It was noted there is a conflict between the Memorandum of Coverage (MOC) pertaining to the Arbitration of Coverage Disputes: under the Liability MOC, the Claims Committee shall make the initial determination whether to deny coverage on all or part of a claim; whereas, the Workers' Compensation MOC, the Third Party Administrator or JPA Counsel shall make the initial determination whether to deny coverage on all or part of a claim. The Committee is unsure whether it is intentional the way it is written.

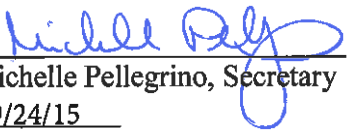
Marcus Beverly reported the City of Red Bluff filed a coverage dispute appeal pertaining to the denial of coverage for their claim, Nelson v. City of Red Bluff. Their City Attorney, Richard Crabtree, requested an in-person meeting to discuss this matter and therefore, he will be present at the June 18, 2015, Board of Directors meeting. It was noted that the Claims Committee will have a special meeting prior to the Board of Directors meeting to address this matter accordingly,

and depending on the action taken by the Claims Committee, the matter will be presented to the Board of Directors.

I. **Adjournment** - The meeting was adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE: June 18, 2015 in Rocklin, CA

Respectfully Submitted,



Michelle Pellegrino, Secretary
9/24/15
Date