

Acton and Acton Boxborough Health Insurance Trust

Minutes for the meeting of January 24th 2013

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Members present: Bob Evans, Mike Gowing, Kim McOske

Members absent: Tess Summers, Steve Barrett

Also present: Tim Harrison, Peter Savage, Don Aicardi, Ruth Cvitkovich.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 8:03 A.M.

The minutes were approved.

Mr. Harrison presented the Treasurer's report for the first six months of FY 13. It showed a \$1.569 million dollar loss for the first six months. This could be compared to an estimated loss of \$1.486 dollars using the cash flow report prepared by Cook and Company.

There was a brief discussion of slow payments to Blue Cross and how this might be addressed. It was agreed that Mr. Aicardi would discuss the issue with Ms. Summers when she returns from vacation. If a solution to this issue requires a vote by the Trustees, it will occur at the February meeting.

Mr. Savage presented Cook and Company's monthly cash flow report. It was noted that December showed a positive variance of \$208,977 dollars.

In February Mr. Savage will present the Trustees with proposed rate increases for FY 14. As a prelude he presented such estimates in the form that will be used in February. The estimates were illustrative only, but based on current data.

Mr. Savage made a few comments on an alternative method of providing prescription drug coverage for Medicare retirees. It provides drug coverage through a separate policy from hospital and physician coverage and switches federal reimbursement from a separate payment into a rate reduction. The Trustees agreed to invite our Blue-Cross representative, Tanya Chakmakian, to the April meeting to discuss this option and its implications with us.

The next meeting was set for the 28th of February. It was noted that there will be no March meeting and that the April meeting will be in 4th week.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 A.M.

Robert Evans Jr., Chair
Secretary for the day