

Santa Monica College
Collegewide Benefits
Minutes of the Meeting
September 15, 2005

Present

Sandi Burnett, Co-Chair
Lenore Banders
Al DeSalles
Peter Geltner
Jeanette Goolsby
Mitra Moassessi
Reagan Romali

Absent

Pat Brown, Co-Chair
Ana Rojas

Assistants

Letty Kilian, Staff Assistant
Mimi Vaval, Resource Staff Assistant

A quorum was not present.

Co-Chair Sandi Burnett called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. and asked the Committee to review the September 8, 2005 Minutes. A correction was made to the Minutes to show that Committee member Jeanette Goolsby was absent and Committee member Lenore Banders was present at the September 8, 2005 meeting. Due to lack of quorum, approval of the Minutes was placed on the agenda for September 29, 2005.

Quorum was reached at 9:40 a.m.

Reports and Discussion

Plan Analysis Progress - As of the date of this meeting, Business faculty member Gregory Brookins has been unable to make contact with Vice President of Academic Affairs Jeff Shimizu. He will apprise the Committee of his decision to execute an analysis of the Benefits Office as soon as he speaks with Jeff Shimizu.

Health Benefits Forum - The Health Benefits Forum will be held on Thursday, September 29, 2005 in the Loft from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. The focus of the Forum will be to address Section 125 as an incentive to employees currently enrolled in PERSCare to select PERSCheck. The Committee will be available for a Q & A following the CalPERS presentation. A campus-wide email will be prepared and sent by Co-chairs Brown and Burnett announcing the Health Benefits Forum:

- A CalPERS representative will be present to address a change from PERSCare to PERSCheck;
- A MOU agreement detailing an incentive offer may be announced;
- CalPERS will also address Care Mark concerns.

The option of leaving CalPERS next year will not be an item for discussion at this Forum

Allocation of current Section 125 savings - No report was available.

Section 125 MOU - No report was available. Mitra Moassessi will be meeting with Robert Sammis today to discuss the Section 125 MOU and will report the outcome of that meeting at the September 29th meeting.

STRS 403B Compare Website - Mitra Moassessi reported that in order to be listed on the 403B Compare website, SMC needs to activate the site by registering.

Motion was made by Al DeSalles and seconded by Jeanette Goolsby to have SMCCD register to the 403B Compare Website offered by STRS.

Unanimously approved.

There Committee will not meet next week but will participate in the Health Benefits Forum on Thursday, September 22, 2005.

Agenda for Next Meeting

- Current and past years Section 125 Savings distribution
- Section 125 MOU
- Online Faculty Handbook
- Health Benefits Forum follow-up

Adjournment: 10:15 a.m.

The next meeting of the Collegewide Benefits Committee will be held on Thursday, September 29, 2005 from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. in the Library Conference Room.