

**MEETING OF THE BUSINESS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Community College of Philadelphia
Wednesday, September 25, 2019 – 1:15 P.M.**

Present: Lydia Hernández Vélez, Esq., presiding, Mr. Harold Epps (teleconference), Mr. Jeremiah White (teleconference), Dr. Donald Guy General, Mr. Jacob Eapen, Mr. James P. Spiewak and Victoria Zellers, Esq.

AGENDA

PUBLIC SESSION

(1) Pharmacy Benefits Manager Contract (Action Item):

Discussion: Ms. Zellers stated that the College's Pharmacy Benefits Manager contract with CareMark PCS Health L.L.C. (CVS Health/CareMark), as a participating member with Health Trust Purchasing Group, L.P. (CoreTrust Coalition), expires on December 31, 2019. She explained that the CoreTrust Coalition elected not to renew its agreement with CVS Health/CareMark and elected to move forward with OptumRX. The College does not want to change to OptumRX because it does not have the same services available to members, such as the ninety-day retail pick-up option at CVS pharmacies, a switch mid-plan year would be very difficult to manage, and it would likely lead to union and employee morale issues.

Ms. Zellers reported that the staff evaluated several options to allow the College to remain with CVS Health/CareMark, including: a limited option to remain with CVS Health/CareMark through the CoreTrust Coalition; a three-year option offered through Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.; or an option through the Employers Health Purchasing Corporation ("EHPC"). The College is a member of the Greater Philadelphia Business Coalition on Health (GPBCH) and EHPC reached out to members of GPBCH regarding an option to remain with CVS Health/CareMark.

Mr. Eapen provided the estimated costs associated with each option and stated that the staff recommends that the Business Affairs Committee approve a contract with CVS Health/CareMark as a Plan Participant of EHPC for a period starting January 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. Mr. Eapen stated that the proposed contract with EHPC allows the College to remain with CVS Health/Caremark. It also has the lowest estimated cost for the College and the College is protected by a right to terminate the Agreement anytime (with or without cause) on 180 days' notice.

Mr. White asked if the services provided through the Employers Health Purchasing Corporation would be substantially similar to the current services. Ms. Zellers explained that since the Pharmacy Benefits Manager would remain CVS Health/CareMark, the services should remain substantially the same.

After a full discussion on all the options, Ms. Hernández Vélez requested a motion.

Action: Mr. Epps moved and Mr. White seconded the motions that the Committee recommend to the full Board approving a contract with CVS Health/CareMark as a Plan Participant of EHPC for a period starting January 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

(2) Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee will be held on Wednesday, October 23rd at 9:00 A.M. in the Isadore A. Shrager Boardroom, M2-1.