ACES Insurance Collaborative

Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2020 at 9:30 AM on Microsoft Teams

Attendance - Directors present: Tom Danehy, ACES; Tim Howes, ACES; Jo-Anne Cegan, Ansonia Board of Ed; Lynn Boisvert, East Haven Board of Ed; Howard Wardlow, North Haven Board of Ed. Also present were Chuck Petruccione, Brown & Brown; Deborah Carson, ACES.

1. Minutes: Motion was made by Tim Howes, seconded by Lynn Boisvert to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2020 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Q & A on Monthly Reports: Chuck Petruccione stated that he would send out the reporting packages after the meeting. Anthem has had some reporting delays this new fiscal year with their move to a new software for their billing portal. Some fees, such as the monthly dental administration fees have not been applied yet so there will be a catch-up. Overall, all collaborative members are under budget as expected at this point in the year, with the exception of the Town of North Haven due to a spike in claims last month. Ansonia has increased the deductible and lowered the cost share for the majority of their employees this year.

3. Prospective Members: No new information.

4. On-Site Nurse Update: Tim Howes explained that the contract with Healthstat should be finalized and signed this week. Tom Danehy added that instead of going to various buildings, the nurse would be working in one formerly used school building on Skiff St. The hope is to reduce expensive emergency care visits, reduce the burden for school nurses, and increase resources for COVID.

5. BUOY Health & Wellness: Petruccione shared flyers and a demonstration for BUOY, a program to assist employers with daily wellness check-ins and resources for employees regarding COVID. The platform costs about $1,300 per month for organizations with less than 1,000 employees. Howard Wardlow said that his employees were more concerned about students coming in sick. Lynn Boisvert and Jo-Anne Cegn concurred.

6. Vote for Vice Chair and Secretary: These positions have been left vacant by former officers Lisa Jones and Pam Mangini, respectively. They are 2 year terms set to expire in September 2021. Cegan nominated Boisvert as Vice Chair, and Danehy nominated Wardlow as Secretary. Howes motioned to approve the nominations, Cegan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

7. New/Old Business: Petruccione asked how the members were doing with FFCRA requests and it was briefly discussed.

8. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.