

**NEW JERSEY COUNTIES EXCESS JOINT INSURANCE FUND
OPEN MINUTES
AUGUST 16, 2017
9 CAMPUS DRIVE – SUITE 216 – PARSIPPANY, NJ 07109
10:00 AM**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:00 PM BY CHAIRMAN ANGILELLA
OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT READ INTO RECORD**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL BOARD OF 2017 FUND COMMISSIONERS

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| Ross Angilella, Chairman | Camden County | Present- <i>via teleconference</i> |
| John Kelly, Secretary | Ocean County | Present- <i>via teleconference</i> |
| Jeannette Kessler, Commissioner | Atlantic County | Present - <i>via teleconference</i> |
| Kendall Collins, Commissioner | Burlington County | Present - <i>via teleconference</i> |
| Ken Mecouch, Commissioner | Cumberland County | Present - <i>via teleconference</i> |
| Gerald White, Commissioner | Gloucester County | Absent |
| Edmund Shea, Commissioner | Hudson County | Present - <i>via teleconference</i> |
| Andrew Mair, Commissioner | Mercer County | Present - <i>via teleconference</i> |
| Jessica Foote Bishop, Commissioner | Salem County | Absent |
| Michael Yuska, Commissioner | Union County | Absent |

ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONERS

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| Anna Marie Wright | Camden County | Absent |
| Carl Block | Ocean County | Present - <i>via teleconference</i> |
| Katie Coleman | Salem County | Absent |
| Raissa Walker | Mercer County | Absent |

APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

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| Executive Director/Administrator | PERMA Risk Management Services Paul Laracy, Joe Hrubash Nancy A. Ghani |
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| Attorney | Laura Paffenroth, Esq. - <i>via teleconference</i> |
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| Claims Administrator | AmeriHealth Casualty Services Amanda Metzger - <i>via teleconference</i> |
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ALSO PRESENT:

Joe Porch, Conner Strong & Buckelew – *via teleconference*

Robyn Walcoff, PERMA – *via teleconference*

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

CLAIMS STATUS: AmeriHealth Casualty Services is in need of a Closed Session to discuss claims status and other matters; enclosed in the agenda was a resolution authorizing the need for closed session as permitted by the Open Public Meetings Act, more specifically to discuss claim status and a settlement authority request. Under separate cover, Fund Commissioners will receive materials from AmeriHealth Casualty Services and/or the Executive Director.

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 28-17 AUTHORIZING THE NEED TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE AS PERMITTED BY THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, MORE SPECIFICALLY TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL LITIGATION ON CLAIM NUMBER CLAIM #640-113-0000140, #640-115-0000127 AND #640-113-0000054:

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| Moved: | Commissioner Collins |
| Second | Chairman Angilella |
| Vote: | Unanimous |

All others vacated the room and left the teleconference with the exception of Fund Commissioners, Fund Attorney and Professionals.

MOTION TO RETURN INTO OPEN SESSION:

Moved: Chairman Angilella
Second Commissioner Collins
Vote: Unanimous

As per discussion held during Closed Session permitted via Resolution 28-17, motion to approve the following:

Workers Compensation

Payment Authority Request for:

Claim #640-113-0000140 in the amount of \$37,590.32

Claim #640-115-0000127 in the amount of \$55,000.00

Settlement Authority Request for:

Claim #640-113-0000054 in the amount of \$61,680.97

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT AND PAYMENT AUTHORITY REQUESTS AS PRESENTED:

Moved: Chairman Angilella
Second: Commissioner Kessler
Roll Call: 7 Ayes – 0 Nays

Fund Attorney said although the Fund's Litigation Manager primarily reviews liability claims, it may be beneficial to apprise him of workers' compensation matters as an additional resource. Ms. Walcoff agreed and said she would work with the Fund Attorney to discuss further.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT

MOTION TO OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Chairman Angilella
Second Commissioner Kessler
Vote: Unanimous

MOTION TO CLOSE MEETING TO PUBLIC

Moved: Chairman Angilella
Second Commissioner Collins
Vote: Unanimous

NON- AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Moved: Chairman Angilella
Second: Commissioner Kessler
Vote: Unanimous

MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:30AM

**NEXT MEETING: September 28, 2017
Camden County Emergency Training Center 1:00 PM**

Nancy A. Ghani, Assisting Secretary

for

JOHN KELLY, SECRETARY