CITY OF BELLEVUE LEOFF 1 DISABILITY BOARD Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2010 5:30 p.m. – Administration 6:00 p.m. – Business Meeting Conference Room 1E-118 Bellevue City Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairperson Susan Neiman

Boardmember Wayne Bergeron Boardmember Bryan Reil

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilmember Claudia Balducci

Councilmember John Chelminiak

OTHERS PRESENT: Paula Dillon, Human Resources

Warren Merritt, Fire Department Siona Windsor, City Attorney's Office

MINUTES TAKER: Michelle Cash

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Chair Neiman.

II. ROLL CALL

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Boardmember Bergeron and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the September 1, 2010 Disability Board Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously (3-0).

V. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR DISABILITY ALLOWANCES

A. Applications for Disability Allowances

Motion by Boardmember Bergeron and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the Applications for Disability Allowances as presented. Motion carried unanimously (3-0).

B. Applications for Disability Allowances Greater than 1 month

Motion by Boardmember Bergeron and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the Applications for Disability Allowances Greater than 1 month as presented. Motion carried unanimously (3-0).

VI. CONSIDERATION OF MEDICAL CLAIMS

A. Routine Claims

Motion by Boardmember Bergeron and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the Routine Claims as presented. Motion carried unanimously (3-0).

B. Special Claims

Motion by Boardmember Bergeron and second by Boardmember Reil to approve the Special Claims as presented.

Boardmembers discussed Member #22's claim for dental treatments. The member had a tooth abscess that needed to be treated before having surgery. Ms. Dillon reminded Boardmembers that further documentation was requested at the last Board meeting regarding the charges/services. Boardmembers concurred that the three amalgams and periodic oral exam were not related to the abscessed teeth. Boardmembers debated whether or not denture realignment was medically necessary. They concurred that the denture realignment was necessary due to the change in the mouth from the teeth extractions.

Boardmembers discussed the treatment program for Member #31. Ms. Dillon reminded Boardmembers that the Member is using an experimental drug to treat his cancer. Because the medication is experimental it is not covered by Premera or Medco. Boardmembers approved this medication for this member at the September 2008 meeting. Boardmember Bergeron explained that Member #31 is traveling to Austria to receive further experimental treatments. Compensation for the new treatments in Austria have not been discussed or approved by the Board.

At the question, motion carried unanimously (3-0) to approve the Special Claims for Consideration, except for the three amalgams and periodic oral exam for Member #22.

VII. STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Dillon reported that the annual newsletter will be sent out once the new rates are confirmed.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None.

X. ANNOUNCE DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next Disability Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 3, 2010.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

By general consensus, the meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.