



Meeting Minutes

LEOFF I Disability Board

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Monday, January 8, 2018

5:30 PM

Room 112

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cooper called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Chair Jim Cooper, Vice Chair Jessica Bateman, Boardmember Jack Seward, Boardmember Caleb Martin and Boardmember Russ Gies

2. OTHERS PRESENT

Carl Watts, LEOFF Board Liaison

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.A** [18-0034](#) Approval of December 11, 2017 LEOFF 1 Disability Board Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

4. BUSINESS ITEMS

- 4.A** [18-0033](#) Case #01-18 Hearing Aid Request

Board member Martin moved, seconded by Board member Gies, to approve case #01-18 in the amount of \$5,050 for OPN 2 Mini Rite hearing aids from Avada. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 4.B** [18-0029](#) LEOFF 1 Firefighter Members Policies and Procedures - Vision

Boardmember Bateman moved, and seconded by boardmember Gies to approve a change to the vision language for LEOFF 1 fire members to: "LEOFF 1 firefighter members may submit vision claims without going through the current vision provider (Davis). The cost of an examination must be submitted to medical insurance first. The cost of hardware can be reimbursed without going through the current vision provider first. LEOFF 1 firefighters will be reimbursed for hardware in accordance with the LEOFF 1 policies and procedures." The reason for the language change was in order to maintain the same type of benefits as before when the LEOFF 1 firefighters

moved under the Northwest Firefighter Trust Plan. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.C [18-0030](#) LEOFF 1 Firefighter Members Policies and Procedures - Hearing Aids

Boardmember Bateman moved, and seconded by boardmember Martin to approve a language change for LEOFF 1 firefighter members to: "LEOFF 1 fire members may submit hearing aid claims without going through a specific hearing provider. They must follow the regular policies and procedures that have been approved by the LEOFF 1 Disability Board." The reason for the language change was in order to maintain the same benefits as before when for the LEOFF 1 firefighters moved under the Northwest Firefighter Trust Plan. The motion was approved unanimously.

4.D [18-0031](#) 2018 LEOFF 1 Disability Board Policies and Procedures Manual Updates

This topic was discussed, and a decision to allow reimbursement of gym membership for the LEOFF 1 fire members was postponed until more research can be completed and information can be provided to the board for consideration at the next meeting.

5. REPORTS

5.A [18-0032](#) Expense Report for November 2017 LEOFF 1 Disability Board

The report was received.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.