

**State Employee Advisory Commission and Public-School Employee Advisory Commission  
Minutes  
October 4th, 2022**

The Arkansas State Employee Advisory Commission and Public-School Employee Advisory Commissions met on Tuesday, October 4, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

**ASE Commission Members present:**

Marty Casteel  
Jerry Jones  
Bruce Maloch

**PSE Commission Members present:**

Julie Bates  
Jim Tucker

**ASE Members Absent:**

Ronda Walthall  
Cynthia Dunlap

**PSE Members Absent:**

Kurt Knickrehm  
Greg Rogers

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Jessica Welch, Director Jake Bleed, China Daulton, EBD; Dr. Dwight Davis, Dr. Oktawia DeYoung, EBRx; John Bridges, ASEA; Secretary Mitch Rouse, Lauren Ballard, Mary Massirer, Transformation and Shared Services; Susannah Marshall, Arkansas State Bank Department; Takisha Sanders, Health Advantage; Sylvia Landers. Colonial Life Insurance; Bill Clary, ARSEBA; Judy Paslaski, MedImpact

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by EBD Director Jake Bleed, and he announced there was not a quorum for both commissions.

**1. Approval of September 6th, 2022, Minutes: EBD Director, Jake Bleed**

Commissioners requested to hold September 6<sup>th</sup> 2022; minutes until quorum is met.

**2. Quarterly Financial Update: July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>: EBD Director, Jake Bleed**

Per Act 113 EBD is required to submit quarterly financial reports to the Arkansas Legislative Council, to provide changes in the plan

Director Bleed presented ASE and PSE monthly budget trackers, which includes projected, Actual and difference financials monthly for each plan.

**3. In-Depth Discussion: Pharmacy Benefits Manager and EBD: Dr. Dwight Davis, EBRx**

Dr. Dwight Davis explained the functionality and importance of a Pharmacy Benefits Manager (PBM) through explaining what a PBM is, and the services offered through a PBM.

Following Dr. Davis's presentation, Dr. Bleed explained EBD's current processes and decision making process.

**4. Formulary Management Recommendations: Dr. Oktawia DeYoung, EBRX**

This item was held by the commission, until quorum is met.

**5. Other Business: Jake Bleed, EBD Director**

Dr. Bleed provided updates on EBD's Actuary RFP, Medicare Advantage Plan, and PBM RFP.

Director Bleed adjourned meeting.

Meeting adjourned.