



**MINUTES OF THE
ACCEL CLAIMS COMMITTEE
MEETING**

Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 2:00 PM

**LOCATION:
TELECONFERENCE**

Link: <https://alliantinsurance.zoom.us/j/97375986772?pwd=bDZ4YktDTUNCdTdaYTM1NzY2cm1jdz09>

Meeting ID: 973 7598 6772

Passcode: 808718

Dial: (669) 900-6833

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tracey Matthews, City of Anaheim
Jena Covey, City of Bakersfield
Oles Gordeev, City of Santa Monica
Charlotte Dunn, City of Visalia

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Betsy McClinton, City of Burbank

GUESTS AND CONSULTANTS:

Ben Oram, George Hills Company
David Tratuz, George Hills Company
Conor Boughey, Alliant Insurance Services
Lorissa Huey, Alliant Insurance Services

A. CALL TO ORDER

Tracey Matthews called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM.

B. Consent Calendar

B1. Approval of Minutes for the May 10, 2022 Claims Committee Meeting

A motion was made to approve the consent calendar.

MOTION: Jena Covey **SECOND:** Charlotte Dunn **MOTION CARRIED**



	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Betsy McClinton	Oles Gordeev	Charlotte Dunn
Aye	X	X		X	X
Nay					
Abstain					

C. REPORTS

C1. Claims Committee’s Reports

C1a. ACCEL Claims Reporting and Handling Policy and Procedure

C1ai. Proposed Changes

C1aii. Review Attorney Rates

Ben Oram, George Hills proposed a new section called, “Settlement Authority Process” to the Claims Reporting and Handling Policy and Procedure.

The Committee did not want to make a recommendation to the Board to approve the new section.

The Committee agreed that there needs to be language that outlines the steps of ACCEL’s current process to settle a claim. The ACCEL Bylaws state that the Board has authority to settle claims. This item will be agendized at the next Claims Committee Meeting.

Conor Boughey reminded the Committee that the Board adopted language stating ACCEL Members are advised to request approval from the Claims Committee for any attorney rates excess of \$400/hour. Conor asked the Committee to review if this rate is still appropriate and the Committee agreed.

Direction was given to the Program Administrators to change the word “reasonability” to “reasonableness” in the fourth paragraph of Section VII. Claims Reimbursement Requests.

No reportable action took place.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS - No public comments were made.

ADJOURNMENT

Tracey Matthews adjourned the meeting at 2:27 PM.