



**MINUTES OF THE  
ACCEL CLAIMS COMMITTEE  
MEETING**

**Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 10:00 AM**

**LOCATION:  
TELECONFERENCE**

Link: <https://alliantinsurance.zoom.us/j/97666347267?pwd=NGlpWUdtT3BMZ1pTNGFQVmVseTNUQT09>

Meeting ID: 976 6634 7267

Passcode: 197763

Dial: (669) 900-6833

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Tracey Matthews, City of Anaheim

Jena Covey, City of Bakersfield (*left at 11:20 AM*)

Ross Brandon, City of Santa Cruz

Oles Gordeev, City of Santa Monica

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Betsy McClinton, City of Burbank

**GUESTS AND CONSULTANTS:**

Ben Oram, George Hills Company

David Tratuz, George Hills Company

Rich Santana, 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 10:01 AM.

**B. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**B1. Approval of Minutes for the February 6, 2023 Claims Committee Meeting**

A motion was made to approve the consent calendar.

**MOTION:** Jena Covey

**SECOND:** Ross Brandon

**MOTION CARRIED**



	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Betsy McClinton	Ross Brandon	Oles Gordeev
Aye	X	X		X	X
Nay					
Abstain					

### C. REPORTS

#### C1. CLAIMS COMMITTEE’S REPORT

##### C1a. Litigation Update

Ben Oram presented to the Committee the 2023 first quarter Ligation Update.

Committee Members discussed and asked questions as they arose.

##### C1b. ACCEL’s Legal Counsel

Lorissa Huey reminded the Committee that at a prior Committee Meeting, the Committee agreed that by June 1, 2023, ACCEL should develop an action plan on additional coverage counsel options and other matters (e.g. reservation of rights letters, coverage opinions) as ACCEL’s claims activity increases.

The Committee agreed that it wants the Board to first discuss whether it wants to issue a Request for Quote (RFQ) and if so, take action at the Board level.

A motion was made to recommend to the Board to start a RFQ process, and if the Board does want to authorize this path, direction was given to the Program Administrators to first have a conversation with Byrne Conley, ACCEL’s current legal counsel about ACCEL’s goals.

**MOTION:** Oles Gordeev      **SECOND:** Jena Covey      **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Betsy McClinton	Ross Brandon	Oles Gordeev
Aye	X	X		X	X
Nay					
Abstain					



**C1c. CLOSED SESSION – Pursuant to Gov’t Code 54956.95**

A motion was made to enter into Closed Session at 10:50 AM.

**MOTION:** Jena Covey      **SECOND:** Oles Gordeev      **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Betsy McClinton	Ross Brandon	Oles Gordeev
Aye	X	X		X	X
Nay					
Abstain					

A motion was made to come out of Closed Session at 12:16 PM.

**MOTION:** Oles Gordeev      **SECOND:** Ross Brandon      **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Betsy McClinton	Ross Brandon	Oles Gordeev
Aye	X			X	X
Nay					
Abstain					

Lorissa Huey reported out of Closed Session that the Committee reviewed the open loss run and no final reportable action took place.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENTS** - No public comments were made.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Tracey Matthews adjourned the meeting at 12:20 PM.