## **Employee Benefits Committee**

## Minutes of January 13, 2016

Meeting called to order at 11:00 a.m. by President Judy Pfreiner.

In attendance were Judith Pfriemer, Carol Barnhill, Lori Winn, Donna McMillan, Jollean Sinclaire, Angela Daniels, Janet Moore, Laura Downing, Loretta Fulton, Carol Byrd, Sam Pae and Rosemary Freer. A quorum was present.

The committee reviewed one Catastrophic Leave request. The request was from an employee for hip pain. The committee deemed that more information was needed from the attending physician to make a decision. Janet Moore moved that we wait for receipt of relevant information and vote electronically. The motion passed. Pfriemer sent the needed information to the committee via email on 1/15/2016 and moved that we grant leave through February 15, 2016. A quorum of committee members voted electronically and the motion passed unanimously.

Pfreimer reported that both Staff and Faculty Senates forwarded concerns/questions about the new health insurance program to the system office for information purposes.

Winn reported a concern about the misuse of retiree email. Options short of taking away email benefits to retirees were discussed. Winn will take our suggestions to the Information and Technology program and will advise the committee of further proposals.

Winn reported that employees of ASU are limited to three loans per year from their TIAA-CREF accounts.

Winn encouraged employees to know their vision care provisions before attending an eye appointment.

Winn advised that anyone participating in Long Term Care will be billed at the end of January 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Rosemary Freer, 2015/2016 Committee Secretary