

MINUTES
PLATTE COUNTY BOARD OF SERVICES
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday, March 27, 2026

Members Present Online: Sandra Thomas, Dr. Jeffrey Kingsley

Members Absent: Dr. Michael Shafe, Stuart Anderson

Staff Present Online: Drew Ehrlich, Martha Jaynes, Tim Coleman

Visitors Online: Carla Barksdale – Legal Counsel; KC Collins & Surina McConnaughey – Miller Group Insurance

The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm by Sandra Thomas

Workers' Compensation Insurance Renewal (2026–2027)

Drew Ehrlich presented information regarding the upcoming Workers' Compensation insurance renewal, with the current policy expiring April 1, 2026. The Finance Committee reviewed proposals from the current carrier, Midwest Insurance Company (MIC), and an alternative carrier, AF Group, presented through the new broker, The Miller Group.

Discussion focused on PCBS's elevated Experience MOD (1.14), driven primarily by several high-cost claims in 2022. Drew outlined ongoing efforts to reduce risk, including enhanced safety initiatives, driver safety programs, lifting equipment training, and fitness-for-duty practices.

The AF Group proposal includes a higher initial premium but offers additional services aimed at reducing long-term costs, including claims investigation, nurse triage, return-to-work support, and proactive risk management. Discussion highlighted the potential for these services to reduce claim severity and lower the Experience MOD over time.

Legal counsel provided guidance on Sunshine Law requirements and timing considerations for Board action. Due to the policy deadline and limited time to convene a full Board meeting, discussion included procedural options for approval. Consensus supported advancing the recommendation to the Executive Committee for timely action, with subsequent Board ratification.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Dr. Kingsley and seconded by Sandra Thomas to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:31pm.

Minutes taken by:
Tim Coleman
PCBS Executive Support Assistant