

Unemployment Insurance (UI) Advisory Council Meeting Minutes  
January 12, 2012  
Kneip Building, Conference Room #3  
700 Governors Drive  
Pierre, SD

Members Present

Pam Roberts, Chair  
Robert Anderson  
Paul Aylward  
Tim Fitzgerald  
Carol Hinderaker  
Don Kattke  
Shawn Lyons  
David Owen

Others Present

Bob O'Connell  
Michelle Brich  
Julie Johnson  
Deb Mortenson  
Mark Anderson  
Nathan Lukkes  
Dawn Dovre  
Pauline Heier  
Julie Albano  
Monica Harding  
Sharon Schnabel  
Dawn Williams  
Mackenzie Osadchuk

Chairwoman Roberts called the meeting to order, and roll call was taken by Julie Albano. A quorum was present.

Shawn Lyons MOVED to approve the October 12, 2011, and October 27, 2011 minutes. David Owen SECONDED. Motion carried.

Pauline Heier gave a presentation, and discussion was held by the Council on the current financial status of the State UI Trust Fund and the UI projections for 2012. The Council understands revenue to the UI Trust Fund will continue to increase over the coming months. The Council will closely monitor the balance.

Pauline Heier gave a presentation, and discussion was held by the Council on the UC Integrity Act of 2011 which was signed by the President late 2011. The Integrity Act requires States to implement a mandatory penalty of no less than 15 percent on fraud claims, require employers to report "rehired" employees to the National Directory of New Hires, and prohibit States from relieving charges to employer accounts due to no response or providing of inadequate information. Legislation will be developed for the 2013 legislative session to meet the federal requirements of the UC Integrity Act.

Additional topics for 2012 include review current surcharge policy, analyze impact of UI modernization mandates, and re-evaluate the target Trust Fund balance recommended by the U.S. Department of Labor.

David Owen MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Robert Anderson SECONDED. Motion carried.