

Unemployment Insurance (UI) Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2016
Kneip Building, Conference Room #3
700 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD

Members Present

Marcia Hultman, Chair
Tim Fitzgerald
Carol Hinderaker
Shawn Lyons
David Owen

Members Absent

Robert Anderson
Don Kattke

Others Present

Pauline Heier	Jason Simmons
Mackenzie Decker	Julie Johnson
Tom Hart	Amber Mulder
Emily Ward	Mary Grode
Dawn Dovre	Dawn Williams
Lindsey Riter	Sharon Schnabel
Deb Mortenson	Scott Geffre
Brittni Skipper	
Jamie Farmen	

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

Chairwoman Hultman made corrections to the May 9, 2016 minutes. Shawn Lyons MOVED to approve the May 9, 2016, minutes as amended. Marcia Hultman SECONDED. Roll call vote was taken with 4 Yea (Hultman, Fitzgerald, Hinderaker, Lyons), 0 Nay and 1 Excused (Owen).

Motion carried.

Chairwoman Hultman and Pauline Heier presented information on the states' reciprocity rates which is the proportion of jobless workers receiving benefits from state unemployment insurance programs. Information was also presented on the wage replacement rate, contribution rates and the taxable wage base of South Dakota and our neighboring states.

The Council reviewed the State UI Trust Fund projections for 2016 and 2017. Information was provided to the Council on the states that did not borrow during the Great Recession. Discussion was held by the Council on an adequate trust fund balance and the average high cost multiple (AHCM) as the measure to assess the trust fund solvency. The Council agreed to an AHCM of 1.6 as the starting point for an adequate trust fund balance. The Council will continue with discussion of the development of a new tax rate/reserve ratio structure based on this target at the next meeting. The next meeting will be held in September.

Shawn Lyons MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Tim Fitzgerald SECONDED. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.