

Unemployment Insurance (UI) Advisory Council Meeting Minutes  
August 29, 2014  
Kneip Building, Conference Room #3  
700 Governors Drive  
Pierre, SD

**Members Present**

Marcia Hultman, Chair  
Robert Anderson  
Tim Fitzgerald  
Carol Hinderaker  
Don Kattke  
Shawn Lyons  
David Owen

**Members Absent**

Shannon Stucker

**Others Present**

Mark Anderson  
Representative Ray Ring  
Dawn Dovre  
Tom Hart  
Melisa Forest  
Pauline Heier  
Julie Albano  
Amber Mulder  
Sharon Schnabel  
Dawn Williams  
Morgan Ness

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

Carol Hinderaker MOVED to approve the June 09, 2014 minutes. Rob Anderson SECONDED.  
**Motion carried.**

Chairwoman Hultman introduced the new deputy secretary, Tom Hart to the council. Chairwoman Hultman also welcomed the new council member, Shannon Stucker. Shannon is currently the business manager for the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers.

Pauline Heier gave a presentation, and the council reviewed the current financial status of the State UI Trust Fund and the UI projections for remaining 2014 and projected 2015.

Pauline Heier also gave a presentation, and the council held a discussion on the short-term compensation program and the common paymaster agreements.

Chairwoman Hultman opened the floor for public opinion of the two programs. Chairwoman Hultman read comments from Deb Mortensen with Associated General Contractors. The AGC continues to oppose the short-term compensation program because it would be detrimental and costly to employers having to pay unemployment insurance benefits and short-term compensation. The AGC doesn't feel the program would aid in getting back workers after layoff,

and employers report no difficulty in recalling displaced workers. The AGC remains neutral on the common paymaster agreement until impact questions can be addressed.

Representative Ray Ring, who introduced the work-share program proposal at the 2014 legislative session, stated he continues to support the advantage of flexibility and support for employers cutting hours, creating an option and not an obligation.

Mark Anderson, with South Dakota State Federation of Labor, presented statistics estimating the number of jobs that would have been saved had the workshare program been an option in 2009 during the recession.

Additional information will be gathered for continued discussion of the two programs at the next UI Advisory Council meeting. The annual report will contain a summary of the discussions of the two programs.

The Council will hold a conference call at the end of September to review and vote for approval of the 2014 Annual Report.

Shawn Lyons MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Don Kattke SECONDED. **Motion carried.**