Meeting Minutes
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ADVISORY COUNCIL
Missouri River Plaza, Sharpe Conference Room
123 W. Missouri Ave., Pierre
June 20, 2018 1:30 p.m. CDT

Members Present: Secretary Marcia Hultman, Chair, Carol Hinderaker, Don Kattke, Robert Anderson, David Owen, Kari Karst, Shawn Lyons

Members Absent: Tim Fitzgerald, Douglas Severson

Others Present: Pauline Heier, Tom Hart, Dawn Dovre, Julie Albano, Dawn Williams, Dan Thielsen, Donna Leslie, Jason Simmons, Stephanie Lyons, Sarah Petrick

Secretary Hultman called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m., and roll call was taken by Julie Albano. A quorum was present.

Shawn Lyons made a motion to approve the October 18, 2017 minutes. Rob Anderson seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken with 7 Yea (Hultman, Hinderaker, Kattke, Anderson, Lyons, Owen, Karst) 2 absent (Fitzgerald, Severson) and 0 Nay. MOTION PASSED.

Pauline Heier advised the maximum weekly benefit amount (WBA) for initial claims will increase to $402 effective July 1, 2018. Council discussed public outreach regarding the WBA increase. Pauline informed the Council HB 1030 was passed providing statutory authority for the Department of Labor and Regulation to write off old uncollectible employer UI debt.

The Council received an update and discussion was held on the current state of the UI Trust Fund including financial projections for 2018 and 2019. Pauline Heier presented topics for potential discussion at the next UI Advisory Council meeting including an update on the amount collected from the administrative fee, discussion of work search requirements for the job-attached and seasonally unemployed, seasonal employer requirements, mental health treatment and availability requirements, and new developments in other states' unemployment insurance programs.

Chairwoman Hultman and the Council extended appreciation to Shawn Lyons for his years of service on the Unemployment Insurance Advisory Council and wished him well with his future endeavors.

Shawn Lyons made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Don Kattke seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken with 5 Yea (Hultman, Hinderaker, Kattke, Anderson, Karst) 3 absent (Fitzgerald, Severson, Owens) and 1 Nay (Lyons). MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 2:16 p.m.