

Meeting Minutes
WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Missouri River Plaza, Sharpe Conference Room
123 W. Missouri Ave., Pierre, SD
June 19, 2017 9:00 a.m. CDT

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. CDT by Chairman Michels.

Members Present: Chairman Matt Michels, Secretary Marcia Hultman, Kory Rawstern, Carol Hinderaker, Randy Stainbrook, Guy Bender, Jean Murphy (Conference Call Line) and Daniel Tribby (via Rapid City DDN site)

Members Absent: Peter Bullene and Russ Hohn

Others Present: Tom Hart, James Marsh, Mackenzie Decker, Rick Augusztin, Jim Leach (via Rapid City DDN site), Tiffany Sanderson, Lynn Job, Shawn Lyons, Larry Deiter, Bob Mercer, Dan Thielsen, Dick Tieszen, Greg Johnson, Sue Simons, Larry Klaahsen, Jennifer Andrisen-Selzler, Chris Specht and Brad Wilson

DDN sites were available at the following locations: Aberdeen, Pierre, Rapid City and Sioux Falls

Roll call was taken by Rick Augusztin. A quorum was present.

Approval of the Minutes of December 5, 2016

Motion: by Council member Kory Rawstern. Seconded: by Council member Guy Bender. Approved, and Motion carried.

Chairman Michels explained the reason for removing the bad faith topic from the meeting agenda. This topic will be discussed at a future meeting after attorneys have had an opportunity to discuss the topic prior to the meeting.

Secretary Hultman said finding an agreeable time for all parties is a challenge.

Division Director James Marsh presented the Director's Report. There were No questions to Director James Marsh regarding the report.

James Marsh provided a summary of the possible effects of workers' compensation coverage becoming mandatory in South Dakota.

Jim Leach from Rapid City presented to the council. He proposed requiring an employer show either proof of workers' compensation insurance or show the proof of self-insurance approved by the State of South Dakota.

Chairman Michels said the Governor has worked on to align our educational delivery system with the employment opportunities available. He introduced Tiffany Sanderson.

Tiffany Sanderson, Director for Career and Technical Education for South Dakota, discussed a great opportunity to expand work-based experiences for high school students.

Chairmen Michels indicated that this would be an informational item.

James Marsh indicated that the Annual Report will be prepared for the legislature with recommendations and discussions from the Council. The report will be made available to the public in October. It will be posted on the website.

The next WCAC meeting will be determined at a later date.

Chairman Michels adjourned the Workers' Compensation Advisory Council meeting at 10:33 a.m. CDT.

A full length audio recording of the meeting and meeting handouts are available on the Department's website.

James Marsh
Labor and Management Director