

**Employment Security Advisory Board Meeting
Connecticut Department of Labor
June 10, 2014
Minutes**

Members Present: Mark Sullivan, Eric Gjede, Shawn Coyne, Henry Zaccardi, John Toomey, John Barrasso, Sue Garten, John Olsen

Agency Staff: Commissioner Sharon Palmer, Stephen Lattanzio, Anne Rugens, Maria Hagen, Carl Guzzardi, Bruce Berman, John Matteis, Marisa Morello, Ken Petow, Daryle Dudzinski, Chris Paquette, Andy Condon, Lynne Knox, Susan DeVito.

Observer: Rich Siegel, UTMC, via Conference Call, Sue Nofi, Lori Pelletier, Sara Parker McKernan

Introduction

Mark Sullivan called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. The minutes of the May 15, 2014 meeting were approved.

Chris Paquette and Carl Guzzardi gave a brief overview of the Department's 'Off-the-Mainframe' Project. Chris noted that the Department would be seeking federal funding in the next couple months to assist with aspects of the project.

Shawn Coyne inquired as to savings to the Department due to the modernization. Carl noted that the new system would be designed to enable greater self-service for claimants and employers. Chris Paquette stated claimants complete only 3% of their claims through the internet and that that would hopefully increase. Chris noted that New Hampshire is an example of modernization – all claims are processed through the internet. They do not have call centers.

Outline of the upcoming July 23, 2014 Meeting

Specifics of the meeting to include:

Anne Rugens will draft notice of the meeting to be held in Conference Room A & B and distribute it to the Board for comments prior to posting. Notice of the meeting will be posted on DOL's website with instructions. All oral testimony will require pre-registration and summaries must be submitted 10-14 days before the meeting. Speakers will be limited to 30 minutes. Commissioner Palmer noted that the public must have access to the meeting, but further noted that it must be kept organized. Experts will present their testimony first followed by members of the public. The goal of

this meeting will be to present options for assisting the Fund in reaching and maintaining solvency.

Meeting Dates:

The Solvency Fund meeting is scheduled for July 23, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. and the follow up meeting is scheduled for August 11, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.