

MINUTES OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2009
INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH
10 N. SENATE AVENUE – ROOM 301A
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

Members present were Dave Collins; Joe Evans; Randy Maxwell; Paula Presnoples; Sam Schlosser; Kent Tolliver and Kevin Tully. Also in attendance from the Indiana Department of Workforce Development were Lauren Bogan, Staff Attorney; Jennifer Chappell, Director of Unemployment Insurance Tax Department; Randy Gillespie, Director of Budgets; Mary Johnson, Deputy Commissioner Unemployment; Michelle Marshel, Deputy Commissioner Communications; Scott Sanders, Chief Financial Officer; Dustin Stohler, General Counsel; and Karen Weber, Director of Human Resources.

Mr. Schlosser called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and recognized that there was a quorum present.

Mr. Schlosser welcomed guests George Raymond from the Indiana Chamber of Commerce; Dan Leonard, Indiana House Representative-District 50; and Michelle Sodervick, Financial Manager and Chris Parke, Chief Financial Officer from Bluffton Motor Works (BMW).

Mr. Schlosser announced that the agenda would be rearranged to have the Employer Issue first on the agenda. The Board heard evidence from the employer requesting a waiver of principle and interest assessed against them and heard evidence from the Department explaining its reasons for assessing the penalties and interest.

At this time Mr. Schlosser entertained a motion to table this discussion for the next board meeting when the members have had time to review documentation and discuss this issue. Joe Evans motioned for approval and Dave Collins seconded the motion, motion approved.”

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Schlosser asked if all Board members had reviewed the previous meetings minutes. A motion was made by Joe Evans to accept the October 21, 2009 minutes, which was seconded by Dave Collins and unanimously approved.

Mr. Sanders stated that the Annual Report would be sent out electronically and the hard copy is still considered Draft and Confidential. He asked the members if any of them would prefer not to receive a hard copy and Mr. Schlosser, Randy Maxwell, and Dave Collins all stated they would accept the electronic copy only.

OPERATIONAL UPDATE:

Mary Johnson began with a legislation update stating that Congress had passed the Federal unemployment insurance extension, named EUC 3 and EUC 4, which is federally funded so it does not affect the trust fund. Approximately 50,000 Hoosiers may benefit from this extension. She directed everyone’s attention to the hand out with frequently asked questions regarding November 2009 Extension of Unemployment Insurance

Benefits. A press release will be issued on November 19, 2009 discussing this information. The claimant's homepage is being updated with improvements assisting them on how to enter their EUC claims.

Mr. Sanders moved on to the Trust Fund update. He directed everyone's attention to the next handout showing the preliminary analysis for October 2009. He discussed this handout stating that we see a decline but have not seen the effect of the impact of the manufacturing lay offs over the holidays.

Mr. Gillespie stated that he spent the previous week in Washington D.C. with the DOL observing their budget procedures and trust fund modeling. He directed attention to a handout listing DOL Advances as of November 16, 2009.

Michelle Marshel gave an update on the Unemployment Insurance Oversight Committee. She stated a final report will be sent to this board once it is released.

NEW BUSINESS:

At this time, Mr. Schlosser opened the floor to new business and there was none.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

The next board meeting will be December 16, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Schlosser adjourns the meeting at 11:50am. Meeting adjourned.