



## **UPSTATE WORKFORCE BOARD DISABILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING**

**February 24, 2026**

**2:00 p.m. (Virtual)**

### **Present:**

- Ms. Jennie Thomas, Committee Chair
- Ms. Hunter Blake, Committee Member
- Mr. Christian Rice, Committee Member
- Ms. Lisa Thomas, Committee Member
- Ms. Kelly Tillinghast, UWB

### **Welcome**

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by Ms. Jennie Thomas, Committee Chair.

### **Employer Awareness Event Planning**

Ms. Kelly Tillinghast, UWB Associate Director, stated that 12 businesses have registered for the employer event scheduled for March 24, 2026. Committee members are sharing the event flyer with local businesses to promote attendance at the event. The Employer Network assisted with getting the program submitted for approval for Human Resource credits, so they have been added to the flyer and are also promoting the event. Ms. Rita Revels will notify the committee as soon as it is approved. Ms. Tillinghast informed the committee that information regarding each speaker will be provided to enhance the promotion of the program. She also requested that committee members share the flyer on social media and by email. Ms. Tillinghast confirmed that the event will be a buffet-style breakfast catered by Eggs Up Grill and sponsored by the Milliken Foundation. SC Vocational Rehab staff will have the venue set up the day before the event. Ms. Tillinghast will prepare a post-event survey to be completed by attendees.

### **Other Business and Adjourn**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:28 p.m. The committee will meet again (virtually) on March 19, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

**The next regularly scheduled meeting is May 5, 2026.**