

UPSTATE WORKFORCE BOARD DISABILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING September 18, 2023 3:00 p.m.

Present:

- Ms. Jennie Thomas, Committee Chair
- Ms. Lisa Thomas, Committee Member
- Ms. Ann Angermeier, UWB

- Ms. Anne Brock Trail, Committee Member
- Ms. Dana Hudgins, UWB
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Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 3:11 p.m. by Ms. Jennie Thomas, Committee Chair. Ms. Thomas welcomed committee members.

Disabilities Committee Future Event Planning

Ms. Thomas reminded the committee that at the previous meeting, the group discussed the possibility of creating an advisory group that would meet once a year to help guide the committee's work. The committee identified three populations to include on the advisory board: employers, education partners and agency partners. The committee spent time discussing individuals that may be a good fit. The committee also selected January 23, 2024, at 8:30am for a breakfast meeting with this group. Each committee member was assigned tasks to ensure potential advisory members save the date.

The committee also discussed the need to offer local agency staff disabilities etiquette training. It has been several years since the committee coordinated staff training and many staff in the partner agencies have changed. It was agreed that it would be best to offer two sessions on November 15, 2023. Offering two sessions will allow more staff to attend and hopefully not require locations to close. Ms. Dana Hudgins, UWB Associate Director, will reach out to ABLE SC to inquire if they are available to conduct this training.

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With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2023.