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EMPLOYMENT FIRST COMMITTEE MEETING  
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**CALL IN NUMBER:** 1-669-900-9128  
**MEETING ID:** **959 038 410**

**DATE:** April 23, 2020

**TIME:** 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

**COMMITTEE CHAIR:** Wesley Witherspoon

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**Item 1. CALL TO ORDER**

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**Item 2. ESTABLISH QUORUM**

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**Item 3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

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**Item 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*This item is for members of the public only to provide comments and/or present information to the Committee on matters not on the agenda. Each person will be afforded up to three minutes to speak.*

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**Item 6. GETTING PEOPLE BACK INTO THE WORKFORCE** Page 8

*Presented by: All*

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**Item 7. REVIEW DRAFT 2019 EFC REPORT ** Page 11

*Presented by: All*

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**Item 8. DATA SHARING ** Page 12

*Presented by: All*

- a. The Future of Data Sharing
  - b. Data Workgroup
  - c. Update on the Implementation of the Data Sharing Legislation
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**Item 9. 2020 MEETING DATES**

July 30<sup>th</sup> and September 29<sup>th</sup>

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**Item 10. ADJOURNMENT**

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April 23, 2020

**AGENDA ITEM 5.**

**ACTION ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – EFC**

***Approval of February 2020 Minutes***

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Members will be presented with the draft meeting minutes from the February 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

***Action Recommended***

Approve the February 2020 minutes.

***Attachments***

February 4, 2020 Minutes



**DRAFT**  
**Employment First Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**October 8, 2019**

**Attending Members**

Cindy Chiu (DOR)  
Larry Yin (USC)  
Michael Luna (DDS)  
Olivia Raynor (UCLA)  
Sarah Issacs (DRC)  
Barbara Boyd (CDE)  
Wesley Witherspoon (SA)

**Members Absent**

Steve Ruder (UCD)

**Others Attending**

Aaron Carruthers  
Cindy Smith  
Mary Ellen Stives  
Robin Maitino-Erben  
Osman Jamil and Sister  
Candace Gable  
Marissa Clark  
Sandra Hamameh

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Wesley Witherspoon (SA) called the meeting to order at 10:37 A.M.

**2. ESTABLISH QUORUM**

A quorum was established.

**3. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS**

Members and others introduced themselves as indicated.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Candace Gable provided public comment regarding the work that Respectability is doing in California on employment that may be of assistance to the Committee members.

**5. APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 2019 MEETING MINUTES**

It was moved/seconded (Raynor/Chiu) and carried to approve the October 8, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. (Abstain: Boyd and Yin, all others in favor, see attending members on page one for a list of voting members.)

## 6. EMPLOYMENT SPOTLIGHT

Self-Advocate, Osman Jamil shared his experience of participating in a paid internship program. Mr. Jamil worked for a steel company for 10 months where he practiced many skills, including welding and discovered his passion, which is fabrication. He hopes to one-day be picked up as a permanent employee.

## 7. FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY UPDATE

Deputy Director Cindy Smith provided updates on federal and state legislative and regulatory issues relating to employment for people with disabilities. The report included sharing the Council's joint letter opposing the reopening of the WIOA regulations and the Council's public comments on both implementing the plan for the Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act and the Unified Strategic Workforce Development Plan to implement WIOA State Plan.

## 8. DATA SHARING UPDATES

Committee member Michael Luna provided a brief update on the status of the implementation of the data sharing legislation which led to a much larger conversation about data sharing. Members discussed the variety of ways that having the right data could improve Committee outcomes and requested that staff capture the below feedback in order to guide further discussions in April.

### Data Needed

- How many internships turn into permanent employment?
- Data showing outcomes to different employment options (PSE, Micro, CIE).
- List of data already shared by DOR, CDE, DDS.
- How long after PIP ends do interns.
- Determine and then make recommendations.
- What is path to post-secondary education?
- What is the state's role (where is LEAP)?

### Possible Barriers

- Invest in finding/researching what data we need.
- How many begin before 11th grade.
- Lack of equality.

- Sharing information (how).
- Provider infrastructure/rates.
- Who can implement.

### **Outcome Supported by Data**

- Internships that lead to CIE.
- Which projects are worth investing in (e.g. long-term employment)?
- Determine if additional data is needed.

### **Steps to Achieving Outcome**

- Do more bottom up education.

## **9. UPDATE ON CIE BLUEPRINT IMPLEMENTATION**

Committee members Barbara Boyd, Michael Luna and Cindy Chiu provided updates on the CIE Blueprint Implementation stating that 32 local partnership agreements (LPAs) have been posted, that provider teleconferences continue to take place and that a total of 260 LPAs are at various stages of implementation.

## **10. WIOA STATE PLAN PRESENTATION**

At the October 2019 Committee meeting, members requested more information on the California Unified Strategic Workforce Development Plan before committing to preparing formal public comment. Due to challenges with timing, the deadline to provide public comment passed before the Committee was able to meet. However, Marissa Clark and Sandra Hamameh from the California Workforce Development Board (CWDB) came and provided members with the opportunity to ask questions about the plan and give input on how CWDB could further CIE.

## **11. EFC ACTIVITIES FOR 2020**

Committee member Michael Luna reported that he will be speaking at the upcoming WORKCON 2020 Conference on May 18-20, 2020 for the deaf and hard of hearing community and that this Conference could be a good opportunity for the Committee to present. Committee members were interested but were reluctant to commit to writing the needed abstract and material to participate. Staff agreed to submit the abstract on behalf of the Committee if the Committee prepared the abstract for submission by the February 28<sup>th</sup> deadline.

**12. 2019 EFC REPORT**

The Committee consensus was that the 2019 EFC report would be built off the findings and recommendations from the 2018 annual report and requested that staff e-mail the 2018 report recommendations to them for review and provide their input for the report.

**13. 2020 MEETING DATES**

April 23<sup>rd</sup>, July 30<sup>th</sup> and September 29<sup>th</sup>.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting at adjourned at 3:31 P.M.

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April 23, 2020

**AGENDA ITEM 6.  
INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – EFC**

***Getting People Back into the Workforce***

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Members will discuss what each of their respective agencies are doing to get people back into the workforce.

***Attachments***

Plain Language Unemployment Information from SCDD

## Have You Lost Your Job or Lost Hours at Work?

If so, there is a program called Unemployment Insurance or UI, that may be able to help you get some work benefits including money.



To apply for this program, you must fill out an application which is called filing a **Claim** and you also must meet all the program rules.

### Program Rules

- Program rules are met:
- If you made enough money during the time you worked.
- If you are now not working, or you are working less than you use to.
- If it's not your fault you lost or quit your job. At this time, Claims are permitted if you voluntarily quit your job due to concerns about COVID-19.
- If you are ready and able to work.
- If you are looking for work. This is not required during the current public health crisis and generally not during an emergency or disaster.

## When to File a Claim

Anytime you lose your job or start working less than you use to. If you filed a Claim within the last year and didn't use all your UI benefits you must reopen your Claim to get benefits again.

## Information You Need to File a Claim

- Your first and last name.
- Your social security number.
- The month, date and year you were born.
- An email address.
- A phone number.
- A mailing address.
- Name, mailing address, dates worked, and wages for all jobs you worked for in the last 18 months. You can find this information on your check stubs or W2 form.
- Last day you stopped working and why you stopped working.
- How much money you made the last week you worked at your very last job.

## How to File a Claim

Filing a Claim Online is the fastest and easiest way to file a Claim, but you can also file a Claim by phone or by mail.

### Online

If you file a Claim Online, you have to register for UI Online first at [UI File a Claim Online](#) and follow the steps or view the



video, [UI Online Overview and Registration \(YouTube\)](#).

After submitting your claim, you will see a confirmation page. Write your confirmation number down and keep your number for your records.

## Phone

Call 1-800-300-5616, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

For faster help once the call is answered, press 1 for English or 2 for Spanish, wait until the voice stops talking, press 6, next press 7, then press 3 and you will be transferred to an operator.

## Mail

Print the paper application, fill out the application, then mail the application [Paper Application in English](#) [Paper Application in Spanish](#)

## After You File Your Claim

You will be mailed important information about your Claim and the UI program. Be sure to read and respond to all requests to avoid payment delays.

For more information, refer to the [After You File](#) web page.

After your Claim is filed and accepted, generally you must certify each week that you are looking for work. If you aren't looking for work, you must give a reason.

Although you do not need to look for work during the current public health crisis, you must provide a reason. Indicate that you are not looking for work due to being a non-essential worker during the COVID-19 outbreak or something similar.

**Important:** Most UI customers are required to [register for CalJOBS](#) and create an online resume that can be viewed by employers. You must meet this requirement within 21 days of receiving your *Notice of Requirement to Register for Work* (DE 8405) form. Failure to meet this requirement can result in a delay or loss of UI benefits. Watch [How to Register for CalJOBS and Post a Resume \(YouTube\)](#) for more information.

**SSI** - people who receive SSI are **required** to apply for unemployment compensation if you lose your job. Report this income by visiting, calling, or writing your **local Social Security Office**. Additionally and importantly, SSI treats UI money as unearned income, and so it has a significant impact on monthly SSI payments and may therefore impact your Medi-Cal (if you receive it through your SSI). Because of this potential impact, depending on your situation you may want to quit your job instead of accepting termination and getting UI. Otherwise, you may need to apply separately for Medi-Cal using your income level as the reason for eligibility.

**Need Help?** Call your Regional Center Service Coordinator or ask support staff.

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**AGENDA ITEM 7.**

**ACTION ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – EFC**

***Review Draft 2019 EFC Report***

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Pursuant to California Welfare and Institutions Code Section 4868 (e), the Employment First Committee shall produce an annual report to the Legislature describing its work and policy recommendations. Members will review and approve the draft 2019 EFC Report in concept.

***Handout***

Draft 2019 EFC Report

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April 23, 2020

**AGENDA ITEM 8.**  
**POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM**

**STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES – EFC**

***Data Sharing***

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Members will continue their discussion on data sharing that members started in February as well as receive a brief update on the implementation of the data sharing legislation.

***Attachments***

None