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## Meeting Minutes - Draft EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION EMPLOYMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

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Thursday, October 20, 2016

12:00 PM

Sequoia Library  
4340 Tokay Boulevard, Room B  
Madison, Wisconsin 53711

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by chair by Commissioner Wohlfert at 12:09pm.

Other members present: Megan Koch, Ellen Molitor, Mary Coddington, Jason Hiller, Rochelle Warner

Others present: Equal Opportunities Division Manager Byron Bishop, Investigator/Conciliator Annie Weatherby-Flowers, EOD Administrative Clerk Josue Peralta.

**Present:** 6 - Laura J. Zweber; Danielle A. Dieringer; Margaret Leitinger; Jenny Wohlfert; Michele Thoren and David Witkowski

**Absent:** 1 - Georgia Pride Euler

### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Margaret Leitinger moved to approve the minutes from the meeting on April 21, 2016 without correction. The motion was seconded by Danielle Dieringer and passed by voice vote.

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

### 4. DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals.

### DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

### 5. Moving forward, next steps

To begin conversation, Equal Opportunities Division Manager Byron Bishop introduced himself to the subcommittee members. He outlined the top three successes of the subcommittee and asked the commission about their vision in moving forward and what they wanted to accomplish. In answering the question, the commissioners talked about the different ways in which they would like to see subcommittee progress. Their proposals were along the line

of advising the commission on employment related matters. That would mean being a sort of sounding board, giving input on pending legislation and thus being used better as part of the bigger Commission.

The commissioners noted the need to recruit members who were able to vote freely, as it would be the best guard against inaction. They also noted that the need of leadership within the subcommittee is essential to effectively move forward. With some members unable to officially represent their companies in voting, they would really like to be able to attract other companies to send representatives and be part of the broader mission of the Equal Opportunities Commission.

**6. FUTURE TOPICS FROM THE FLOOR**

Elections for a new chair and co-chair

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Danielle Dierienger announced that she will be resigning from the subcommittee, as she follows the current professional direction she is taking. She thanks everyone for their effort.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Laura Zweber motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:15pm. The motion was seconded by Dieringer and passed by voice vote.