



# Frontline Worker Pay Working Group

## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

Hybrid Meeting

Room G-3 State Capitol and Remote via Zoom

12:00 PM

### Members Present

Representative Ryan Winkler, Chair  
Representative Cedrick Frazier (via Zoom)  
Representative Anne Neu Brindley (via Zoom)  
Senator Karin Housley, Vice Chair  
Senator Mary Kiffmeyer  
Senator Erin Murphy  
Commissioner Robert Doty (via Zoom)  
Commissioner Steve Grove (via Zoom)  
Commissioner Roslyn Robertson

Senator Housley, Vice Chair, called the meeting of the Frontline Worker Pay Working Group to order at 12:08 PM in Room G-3 of the State Capitol.

A quorum was present.

### Minutes

Representative Ryan Winkler moved to approve the Minutes from the August 5, 2021 meeting.  
THE MOTION PREVAILED.

**Overview from Louisiana Frontline Workers Rebate Program** was rescheduled to occur at the August 17, 2021 meeting.

### Impact on Hospital Workers

Testimony provided by Mary Krinkie, Vice President of Government Relations, Minnesota Hospital Association.

### **Public Testimony**

The following people provided public testimony either in person or remotely via Zoom:

Brianne Bernini, Hospital Worker, SEIU Healthcare Minnesota

Mari Knutson, Laboratory Manager, Hennepin Healthcare System

Deb Pavlica, Nurse at Boynton Health Services at U of M, AFSCME Local 3260

Dr. Carolyn Ogland, Chief Medical Officer, North Memorial Health

Jean Forman, RN, Abbott Northwestern Hospital, Minnesota Nurses Association

Daniel Clute, RN, Bethesda & St. Joseph's Hospitals, Minnesota Nurses Association

Connie Berger, Hospital Worker, Abbot Northwestern/Allina, SEIU Healthcare Minnesota

Carmen Brown, President, AFSCME Local 977

Etta Souder, RN, Director of Emergency Services, Community Memorial Hospital (Cloquet)

Kelly Hagen, VP Nursing & Clinical Services, Sanford Health Bemidji

Roberta Young, MSN, RN, CENP, Lake Region Hospital and MHA

Lisa Boulay, Human Service Technician, Bemidji Community Behavioral Health Hospital

### **Working Group Discussion and Next Steps**

Rep. Winkler reminded members to develop their list of criteria for further consideration, to be presented at the next meeting. Additionally, at the next meeting, Commissioner Doty plans to present information from the Department of Revenue.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:08 PM.