



Serving Baker, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Morrow,
Umatilla, Union and Wallowa Counties

Tuesday, January 17, 2023, 10 AM – 11 AM (PT)

Video Conference

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Meeting ID: 839 3429 5339 | Passcode: 195271

Meeting Called to Order: 10:00 AM

- Roll Call/Introductions

Board Member: (X denotes presence, L = arrived after voting)

L	Bambi Bevill, VR		Mark Browning, BMCC President
X	(B) Bill Wyllie, Chester's Thriftway	X	Matt Willson, OED
X	Brian Lemke, NW Carpenters	X	(B) Patrick Patterson, Viridian Management
	Dana Young, TVCC President		(B) Riley Hill, Greystone Builders LLC
X	Doug Dalton, Baker Technical Institute	X	Sheryll Bates, Secretary
X	Jeff Gritz, OSIDCL	X	(B) Susie Cederholm, Chair
X	(B) Jesse Schmidt, Heartwood Biomass Resources LLC	X	Terri Hellbusch
X	(B) Kathy Gover-Shaw, Vice Chair		
	(B) VACANT, Business		(B) VACANT, Business (formerly Angela Pursel)
	VACANT, Economic/Community Development		VACANT, Community Based Organization/youth

***>8=quorum (51%), >=4 (B)(25%)**

Guests Present: Chris Rich, OED; Ben Merrill, TVCC, Andrea Rogers, ODHS-VR

EOWB Staff Present:

Erin Carpenter, Executive Director
Farideh Alvijeh, Director of Finance and Compliance

Kasi Cooper, Office Administrator
Kristian Thornton, Employer Outreach Coordinator
Adison Stewart, Administrative Assistant

Approvals needed with quorum

- **Approval of [DRAFT Agenda](#)**
Motion to Approve by: Jeff Gritz
Second to Motion by: Bill Wylie
Motion Carries with Voice Vote, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions

Approve Meeting Minutes

- **Approval of EOWB Minutes October 18, 2022**
Motion to Adopt by: Jeff Gritz
Second to the Motion by: Bill Wylie
Motion: Voice Vote Carries the Motion, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions

Staff Updates

- Chair Susie Cederholm introduced EOWB's new Executive Director, Erin Carpenter
- E.D. Erin Carpenter announced Farideh's new role as Director of Finance and Compliance, Farideh shared work history in relation to new role
- E.D. Erin introduced Kristian Thornton as EOWB's new Employer Outreach Coordinator

EOWB/Project Updates

- Board members please fill out the survey sent with the agenda
- Friendly reminder to read the Director's Report and meeting agenda before the meeting to have questions prepared
- Developing Powder River Correctional Facility providing WorkSource services
- Getting full time WorkSource services in Wallowa County
- Eastern Oregon employees biggest challenge is daycare, we want to set something up as far as providing services - Susie Possibly a presentation for early childhood education? Buy a building and just offer childcare within business? Childcare affects every industry; Patrick Patterson - has seen success of businesses providing more childcare
- Plan to meet in-person for April's Board meeting in Pendleton or La Grande

Proposed Changes/Ideas

- Patrick Patterson - Suggested change vision to say we become the model for other rural communities
- Updating bylaws that Board can vote over email if not at meeting, or in between meetings on items that need approval
- April voting on new Mission/Vision statements
- Andrea Rogers suggestion: Eastern Oregon workforce board is a visionary leader in workforce development which is evident through the vibrant local economies throughout the region
- We will be focusing on community awareness of our programs/the programs we support

Public Comment

- None

Adjourn: 10:57 AM

Submitted by Kasi Cooper