



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

## DRAFT EOWB Minutes

**Tuesday, January 18, 2022, 10 AM – 12 PM (PDST)**  
**1901 Adams Ave, EOWB, La Grande OR 97850**

### Video Conference

**Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89381463423>

**Call:** 1-669-900-6833 US (San Jose)

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**Board Member:** (X denotes presence)

<b>X</b>	Susie Cederholm, Chair		Kathy Gover-Shaw, Vice Chair
<b>X</b>	Sheryll Bates, Secretary		

	Mark Browning, BMCC President		Doug Dalton, Baker Technical Institute
	Kalie Davis, Port of Morrow		Brian Lemke, NW Carpenters
	Rich Fulton, Malheur Lumber	<b>X</b>	Jon Irvine, IAM-AW Dist. W24
<b>X</b>	Jeff Gritz, OSIDCL	<b>X</b>	Terri Hellbusch
	Riley Hill, Greystone Builders LLC	<b>X</b>	Bambi Bevill, VR
<b>X</b>	Patrick Patterson, Viridian Management	<b>X</b>	Angela Pursel, Westend Radio Group
<b>X</b>	Jesse Schmidt, Heartwood Biomass Resources LLC	<b>X</b>	William Wyllie, Chester's Thriftway
	Dana Young, TVCC President	<b>X</b>	Matthew Willson, OED

**Guests Present:** Susan Roberts, Ex Officio  
 Courtney Crowell, Governor's Office  
 David Koehler, TVCC OR  
 Yvonne Roberts, Auditor

Debbie Merrill, BMCC  
 David Melville, GO STEM HUB  
 Chris Rich, OED

**EOWB Staff Present:** Bill Rosholt, Executive Director  
 Farideh Alvijeh, Accountant/HR  
 Kasi Cooper, Office Administrator

Sheri McDonald, CFO  
 Erin Carpenter, Project Director

**Meeting Called to Order: 10:04 AM**

- Roll Call/Introductions

**Approve Draft Agenda**

- **Motion to Approve** Sheryll Bates  
**Second to Motion by** Bill Wyllie  
**Motion Carries with Voice Vote, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions**

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### **Adoption of Consent Agenda**

- EOWB Minutes October 19, 2021
- Approval of previous Consent Agenda
- Policies:
  - F-015 Monitoring Policy
  - #09 Procurement and Purchasing Policy
  - B-001 Hiring Key Personnel Policy
  - RM-003 Fraud & Incident Reporting
  - Request for Proposals
  - EOWB Bylaws
- **Director's Report** – Bill Rosholt, ED EOWB

**Motion to Adopt:** Sheryll Bates

**Second to the Motion:** Bambi Bevill

**Motion: Voice Vote Carries the Motion, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions**

- Requested volunteers for RFP; Volunteers for RFP: Jon Irvine, Sheryll Bates, Bambi Bevill, Bill Wyllie, Jeff Gritz
- **Financial Report** – Yvonne Roberts, CPA, LLC

**Motion to Approve** Bambi Bevill

**Second to Motion by** Bill Wyllie

**Motion Carries with Voice Vote, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions**

### **Project Director's/One Stop Operator's Report, Erin Carpenter**

- Sector Partnerships > healthcare sector wanted to do career fair in Malheur and Harney Counties, limitations with physical events led us to adapt the event beyond a typical job fair; proposed healthcare professional be invited into the school for smaller interactions or have the healthcare professional connect virtually in the classroom
- WorkSource Targeted Outreach: local media & social media WorkSource awareness campaign of the different partners and the services provided; focuses on 2 Eastern Oregon counties a month starting with Morrow & Malheur in February
- The Local Leadership Team & Business Services reviewing updated guidelines for WorkSource Centers; includes information on mandates and threats/violence in the Centers; WorkSource [Business Service Guide](#) now available digital & print can find the digital copy on [eowb.org/business-resources](http://eowb.org/business-resources); potential for [Grouptrail](#) for work based learning management to be a tool used by Business Services we will know more about this in the future
- Eastern Oregon WORKS > introduction of the program and existing programs under Eastern Oregon WORKS: Columbia WORKS, Malheur WORKS; launching Union County WORKS for Summer 2022

### **International Association of Machinist & Aerospace Presentation, Jon Irvine**

- <https://www.iamw24.org/> Machinist Union District W24
- <https://www.machinistsinstitute.org/> IAM training center in Washington
- Pre-apprenticeship programs helping ready and uptrain employees
- Aerospace is growing in Oregon; Offered skilled workforce to employers

- Diverse Union
- Very pro business
- The Director of Machinist Institute offers to present to the Board in the future and see where there is room for collaboration and partnership

#### **Eastern Oregon Economic Report, Chris Rich, Economist**

- PowerPoint: Eastern Oregon Economy at a Glance (employment)
- They do employment estimates each month, projecting employment rates based on surveys collected from businesses; benchmark this with actual employment data from all businesses in Oregon 6 months later
- Baker – Small gains in most industries with leisure & hospitality still down 80
- Harney – Small gains and losses in most industries
- Morrow – Down 140 in manufacturing, down 90 in transportation, warehousing, and utilities, up 120 overall primarily from gains in industries (can't discuss due to confidentiality)
- Umatilla – Down 270 in manufacturing, down 140 in leisure and hospitality, down 110 in local government, up 320 in retail trade, up 220 in transportation, warehousing, and utilities, up 15- in information
- Wallowa – Small gains in most industries with local government up 50, with seasonal hiring shifts that likely distort overall gain
- Grant – Small gains and losses in most private sector industries with local government down 100
- Malheur – Up 220 in retail trade, up 80 in state government, down 100 in manufacturing, down 240 in local government, small losses in other industries likely due to seasonal hiring shifts
- Union – Up 70 in construction, down 80 in transportation, warehousing, and utilities, down 90 in education and health services, down 100 in local government
- Largely the labor force is up overall in Eastern Oregon compared to 2019
- Unemployment rate is not based on unemployment insurance at all; you're counted as unemployed if you're in the labor force
- Leisure and hospitality have been slow growing; some seemed to switch to retail trade industry

#### **County Update –**

- Heppner County trying to get back to the green St. Patrick's event March 13- Sheryll Bates;
- Contact for Pendleton trades if you want us to get in the schools reach out to Jeff Gritz to discuss apprenticeships available- Jeff Gritz;
- Future Ready Oregon Workforce Package being presented to be approved by the legislature; has a mix of funding, additional money through the Workforce Boards, 3 main industries construction, manufacturing, healthcare \$93 million for workforce, community colleges, pre-apprenticeship programs etc. and additional \$95 million in readiness grants for groups that collaborate industry, education, etc. - Courtney Crowell

**Public Comment:** None

**Adjourn: 11:28 AM**

Submitted by KCooper