



EASTERN OREGON WORKFORCE BOARD
 Serving Baker, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Morrow,
 Umatilla, Union and Wallowa Counties

Tuesday, April 25, 2023, 9 AM – 3 PM (PT)
1901 Adams Ave, EOWB, La Grande OR 97850

In-Person at Hamley’s Steakhouse in Pendleton, Oregon

Board Member: (X denotes presence)

X	Susie Cederholm, Chair	X	Kathy Gover-Shaw, Vice Chair
X	Sheryll Bates, Secretary		

X	Mark Browning, BMCC President		Doug Dalton, Baker Technical Institute
X	William Wyllie, Chester’s Thriftway	X	Brian Lemke, NW Carpenters
X	Dana Young, TVCC President		Terri Hellbusch
	Jeff Gritz, OSIDCL		Bambi Bevill, VR
	Riley Hill, Greystone Builders LLC		
X	Patrick Patterson, Viridian Management		
	Jesse Schmidt, Heartwood Biomass Resources LLC		
X	Matthew Willson, OED		
	Angela Pursel, Westend Radio Group		

Guests Present: Dallas Fridley, Regional Economist

EOWB Staff Present: Erin Carpenter, Executive Director
 Farideh Alvijeh, Director of Finances
 Kasi Cooper, Community Outreach Coordinator
 Kristian Thornton, Employer Engagement Coordinator
 Tiffany Wilson, Finance and Program Specialist

Meeting Called to Order: 9:10 AM

- Roll Call/Introductions

Eastern Oregon Economic Report, Dallas Fridley, Regional Economist

- Shared regional employment data and job growth trends

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EOWB Quarter in Review

Staff Presentations

- Tiffany – Introduction, newest to join EOWB; YDO Grant to help fund Eastern Oregon WORKS internship program
- Kasi – Internships, Public Outreach, How do you like to receive information? connect@eowb.org
- Kristian – VedEx 360 videos, Eastern Oregon Career Expo recap and plans to expand to other areas, City of Pendleton partnership(s), Sector focus: Early Childhood Education, Healthcare, Transportation, Manufacturing [Matt: How can we connect an employer to these partnerships? Contact Kristian, engage@eowb.org] [Susie: wants to connect to the healthcare partnership with behavioral health organizations] Applying for HOWTO Grant focused on healthcare; Work Ready Oregon Grant similar to HOWTO Grant, focused on credential process, healthcare, transportation and manufacturing industries, both 3 year grant opportunities
- Erin – Brief history of building sector partnership; open to those that want to champion collaborations. How can we adapt sector partnerships to rural areas? Transportation and Manufacturing are not as apt to meet/communicate virtually. Employer Lunch & Learn series first week of May.
- Farideh – Shared budget; Prosperity 10,000 update with Training and Employment Consortium; 10% reduction of WIOA grant coming up

Do not have a quorum to vote. Will send previous meeting minutes and agenda for voting via email.

Review and Discuss January EOWB Board Member Survey

Discussion and Voting

- Want one in-person Board Meeting a year, April preferred (4th Tuesday?) (send survey)
- Proposed to update Bylaws to be able to vote virtually/in between Board Meetings, voting on this at a later time

2023-24 Planning and EOWB's 2024-28 Strategic Plan

Board Membership and Subcommittees Needed

- Focus this quarter is to recruit more Board Members to meet quorum needs and support diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Subcommittees needed: DEI, Sector Partnerships, Strategic Planning, Retention

Public Comment: None

Adjourn: 1:23 PM

Submitted by Kasi Cooper