

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 9, 2018, 10 AM – 11 PM (PDST)

By Video Conference

Zoom Meeting Link: Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: <https://zoom.us/j/735240504>

Present: Susie Cederholm, Chair

Present through a ZOOM link:

Sheryll Bates, Secretary	Joseph Franell	Kathy Gover-Shaw, Vice Chair
Jeff Gritz	Steve Lyon	Patrick Patterson
Bill Wyllie	Jesse Schmidt	Patrick Davis
Cam Preus, BMCC President	Dana Young, TVCC	Mark Warne

Guests Present:

Chris Rich, OED

Guests Present through a ZOOM link:

Tara Bishop, CAPECO Eric Labonte, TEC
 Michael McCoy, HEEC

EOWB Staff Present:

Bill Rosholt, Executive Director Sheri McDonald, Controller
 Farideh Alvijeh, Accountant Brenda Frank, Grants & Contracts

Absent:

Doug Dalton	Rich Fulton	Randy Fulton
Donna Keddy, DHS/VR	Riley Hill	Jim Jones Debbie Radie

Meeting Called to Order: 10:02 AM

- Roll Call **Quorum Established**

Approval of Draft Agenda

Motion to Approve Agenda made by Sheryll Bates, 2nd by Joe Farnell
 Motion Carries by Voice Vote.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to Approve July 11, 2017 Minutes made by Sheryll Bates, 2nd by Pat Davis.
 Motion Carries by Voice Vote

Financial Report, Sheri McDonald, Controller

Report (attached to Meeting Material) shared via Zoom
 Actual Mid-point in the Program Year Actual
 Explanation of the report was given by Sheri McDonald
 No questions were asked

Regional Trends, Chris Rich, Eastern Oregon Regional Economist

Presentation via Zoom

- Trends in Employment & Population-Eastern Oregon Handouts prior to the meeting and posted. Presentation presented via Zoom
- UI rates have dropped over the year 2016-17
- Trends in Population were reviewed, Over-the Year and Five Year. Over the 5-years, the largest gains are seen in Morrow and Umatilla counties with a slight decrease in population seen in Grant County.
- Population demographics are yet available from Portland State. Population is ageing in Eastern Oregon.
- Industry Employment Growth is seen in five areas: Construction, Manufacturing, Retail Trade, Health Services, Leisure and Hospitality.

Rapid Response Hermiston Foods Tara Bishop, CAPECO

- August received notification there will be a closure
 - 199 laid off, and accommodated all shifts in one day for employee information sessions
- 2 staff on site twice a week, visited with 131 employees
- Job Fair on November 1st with 25 employers participating, Hermiston Foods provided transportation for employees to meet the employers
- Applied for Rapid Response Additional Assistance which is good for one-year
 - Issue with this worker group is that when the work is complete many leave the area and do not return until March. This is when most of the services will begin
 - Enrollments have begun with a handful
- The ideal situation would be to contract with BMCC to provide ESL and GED at the WSO but due to the timeline this may not be feasible. 15 individuals are currently enrolled.

Director's Report, William Rosholt

Report given prior to the meeting.

- The Housing situation in how it relates to local employment issues has been a topic of conversations with the County Commissioners regarding.
- Employers and their needs for the jobs they have open.

Thanked Cam Preus & Dana Young for joining the meeting, this being only the second day of the Winter Term.

Steve Lyon referred to the report about Health Care Sector: Bill stated he spoken with different branches of Health Care and cannot seem to get the champions needed to launch a Health Sector.

Working with Meredith Lahr to get health sector to answer the survey or tell us what is needed in Eastern Oregon. We may want to find another sector to work on and then move on. Recommendations will come at the next meeting.

Public Comment: No Public Comment

Next Meeting: April 10, 2010 at Baker City OR also Open to Video Conferencing

Adjourn: 10:45 PM (PDST)