Washington State Board of Pilotage Commissioners | Puget Sound Pilots

Agenda – Joint Diversity Committee (JDC)

August 8, 2017 1:00 PM 2901 Third Ave, Seattle, WA 1st Floor, Agate Conference Room

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Progress since last meeting
 - Joint Transportation Committee Budget Bill
 - Pilotage Best Practices Study
 - Diversity Activities Funding
 - Pilot Training Program
 - Outreach Collateral Updates
 - WSF Internship Program Overview
 - Port Outreach Activities
- 3. Possible JDC activities
- 4. Prioritize Activities (let the group collaborate to set priorities)
 - Brochure/website development?
 - Someone to help us with diversity program development?
- 5. Develop Diversity Goals
 - Short Term 1-3 years
 - Intermediate 4-10 years
 - Long Term 10-20 years
- 6. Action Plan
- 7. Next meeting

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1. Welcome and Introductions

Present: Sheri Tonn (BPC Chair, JDC Co-Chair), Linda Styrk (PSP, JDC Co-Chair), Sara Thompson (Dept. of Ecology/BPC), Majken Ryherd and Teresita Torres (PSP-Waypoint Consulting), Maggie Williams (KALM Seas Insurance), Clare Petrich (Port of Tacoma), Beth Osborne and Livia Lam (Senator Patty Murray's Office, DC), Spencer Cohen (Community Attributes)

Telecon: Emily Reiter (Saltchuk)

Absent: Deb Dempsey (Retired Columbia River Bar pilot), Anne McIntyre (Columbia River pilot), Amy Scarton and Liz Kosa (WSF), Eric vonBrandenfels (PSP), Phil Morrell (TOTE/BPC),

2. Progress since last meeting

- Pilotage Best Practices Study (Spencer Cohen)
 - Project timeline Mid-July thru end of January. Full report due in December with a presentation to the Joint Transportation Committee on January 8th. Aggressive timeline.
 - o Report will contain best practice recommendations for:
 - Initiatives to promote diversity
 - Tariff rate setting
 - Governance
 - Selection of Board
 - Recruitments
 - Assessment of current conditions
 - Met with PSP, BPC, PMSA, NWSA

- 6-8 cases studies
- Diversity activities funding
 - BPC submitted items for funding to OFM
 - o Allotted 20K per year in 2018 and 2019 for Diversity
 - In addition, bumped up allotment for next exam to reduce cost of taking exam (\$5,000/2016)
 - Late 2018/early 2019 for next exam offering
 - Stipend 6K/mo is the stipend and min to get by on
 - Cost of exam could be a barrier
 - 25 routes for federal pilotage endorsements
- 3. Barriers to diversity in pilot candidate pool
 - a. Qualifications threshold
 - i. See a lot of women exiting to shoreside positions in mid-career
 - ii. Of the people that are diverse, what are the barriers
 - iii. Need to get a better understanding of what's possible
 - iv. Deb Dempsey thought is getting at them more in high school
 - v. For the ports, because of union contracts, if they have an intern, they have to pay prevailing wage; non-profit does not.
 - vi. JDC challenge is how to deliver on activities because we are all volunteers, so perhaps consider a maritime academy intern.
 - vii. Pilot for a day video to get younger kids excited & exposed
 - b. Identify 5 key barriers
 - i. Ignorance You don't know, what you don't know
 - 1. Exposure at high school, academies, sea scouts, etc.
 - ii. Qualifications thresholds
 - iii. Economic situation
 - 1. Economic deficit
 - a. Personal situation
 - b. Level of advantage/disadvantage
 - c. Study partners (scoops)
 - 2. Economic uncertainty
 - a. Duration of the program (26 charts)
 - b. Difficulty of exam (difficult to study in off time)
 - c. Financial risk (career on hold to pursue

- d. Training stipend relative to current job
- e. Total compensation package when done
- iv. Work environment
 - a. Schedule
 - b. Lifestyle
 - c. Weather
 - d. Reception to diversity; inclusiveness
 - e. Safety
- v. Maritime Industry-wide Issue
 - 1. An overarching issue
 - 2. Not to be taken on by the JDC
- 4. Prioritize activities (let the group collaborate to set priorities)
 - Brochure
 - Website development (defer to a future meeting)
 - Video development
 - Someone to help us with diversity program development?
 - Maggie/Erica survey women who got a license that didn't go to sea
- 5. Develop diversity goals
 - short term 1-3 years
 - a. Retention of diverse pilot trainees and aspirants
 - b. Brochure (career pathways toward becoming a pilot)
 - c. Video (being a pilot awesome)
 - d. Surveys
 - i. Women pilots (Linda, Anne, Deb, Maggie, Eric)
 - ii. Cohort diversity statistics from academic institutions (Sheri, Linda, Anne/Deb)
 - iii. High School (Clare, Jaimie)
 - e. Outreach program
 - Intermediate 4-10 years (deferred for future meeting discussion)
 - long term 10-20 years (deferred for future meeting discussion)

6. Action Plan

- 1. Invite Harley Franco to next JDC Meeting to speak about his programs
- 2. Survey task team for female pilot survey have outline for next meeting
- 3. Survey task team for academic institutions have outline for next meeting

- 4. Survey task team for high school students have outline for next meeting
- 5. Brochure development task team have outline for next meeting
- 6. Doodle poll for next meeting targeted mid-September (Jaimie)
- 7. Meeting notes (Linda)
- 8. Propose different methods to track our projects (Sarah)

Develop and Form Partnerships

- 1. WSF Amy Scarton, Liz Kosa, Tara Lindsay WSF Internship training program, \$50/day stipend, sea project curriculum
- 2. USCG Linda Sturgess, COTP
- 3. Port of Seattle outreach programs to attract diversity in maritime
- 4. Port of Tacoma interns brought in for a few months, maintenance
- 5. Maritime educational institutions
- 6. Military Sealift Command (MSC)
- 7. MARAD (Annual Meeting Oct 26-28 in Travers City, Mich)
- 8. AWO Charlie Costanzas
- 9. Seattle Central Maritime
- 10.Ballard High Schools
- 11. Marja, head of WSTA
- 12. Beth Kilpatrick, Marsh Insurance Broker
- 7. Next meeting Target mid-September (send doodle poll)

Develop Questions for Brochure or Surveys

Brochure Questions Ideas?

- 1. What does pilot do?
- 2. Where does a Puget Sound work?
- 3. Why become a pilot?
- 4. How do I become a pilot?
- 5. Description of Puget Sound Pilots (organization)?
- 6. Description of Washington State Board of Pilotage Commissioners?
- 7. What do pilots make?
- 8. What other benefits to pilots get? (medical, pension, vacation)
- 9. What is the schedule of a pilot?
- 10. What does it take to become a pilot?

Survey Questions Ideas?

- 1. How did a person become interested in pilotage?
- 2. At what point do women/diversity candidates tend to shift to shoreside?
- 3. Why did those people go shoreside?
- 4. Who are target audiences?
- 5. How to get exposure to people who don't have exposure to a seagoing career?
- 6. What are CMA's stat's for diversity in the deck license track program?
- 7. What is the composition of existing cohorts of different programs?
- 8. How do we broaden the pilot pool intake from all maritime channels?