



Member List

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing County</u>
1. Chair, Commissioner Terri Drexler	Mason
2. Commissioner Randy Ross	Grays Harbor
3. Commissioner John Hutchings	Thurston
4. Commissioner Lisa Olsen	Pacific
5. Commissioner Gary Stamper	Lewis

Attendees: Commissioner Ross (online), Commissioner Hutchings (phone), Commissioner Olsen (online), Commissioner Stamper (phone)

Excused: Commissioner Drexler

Staff: Cheryl Fambles (online), Bridget Lockling (online), Vanessa Wasman (online)

Additional Guests: David Schaffert (online)

I. Convene: Welcome – Commissioner Ross

- A. The meeting was called to order at 1:02 pm and quorum was established. The group began with self-introductions. Commissioner Ross introduced himself as filling in for Commissioner Drexler. The agenda was reviewed and no changes were made.
- B. WDC Board Chair Report – David Schaffert introduced himself and gave a brief report in place of Duane Evans, Board Chair. He described the Board’s rich learning moment at Off Planet Research when they visited those labs located at St. Martin’s University. He also mentioned Michael Cade and Dru Garson’s trip to China and how those efforts are creating economic and job opportunities in the region. He also mentioned Pierce County EDC honoring the Camo2Commerce program for development of the WorkSource AJC at JBLM. Board Members will give a report of their participation at the NAWB conference in Washington D.C.
- C. CEO Report – Cheryl gave highlights including the Governor’s Poverty Reduction Work Group, the High Impact Community Grant award winners, the Public Works internships, Talent Magnet Podcast and the recent federal omnibus funding. Her entire CEO Report can be found on our website.

II. Consent Agenda – Motion to Approve November 2017 Consortium Minutes

- A. The minutes from the last Consortium meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Ross mentioned that Duane Evans was not marked as an attendee to that meeting and asked that it be corrected. No other changes made. *Commissioner Hutchings motioned, seconded by Commissioner Stamper to approve the November 2017 Consortium Minutes. Motion carries.*

III. Action Items

Cheryl provided a brief overview of the Board appointment process. (See Staff Report)

A. Motion to Approve: Appointment of New Board Members, Bill Sullivan of Lewis County and Diana Murphy of Grays Harbor County – Both nominees were briefly discussed. *Commissioner Ross motioned, seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve both Nominees to the PacMtn WDC. Motion carries.*

B. Motion to Approve: Continuation of Board Membership Terms Ending June 30, 2021:

- Anne Goranson, Employment Security Dept.
- Dawn Murphy, South Puget Sound Community College
- Paul Vertrees, DSHS/Vocation Rehabilitation Division
- Dru Garson, Greater Grays Harbor, Inc.
- Jason Reed, DSHS/Community Services Division
- Cheryl Heywood, Timberland Regional Library

The group briefly discussed the above noted members with no issues or concerns. *Commissioner Stamper motioned, seconded by Commissioner Olsen to approve the continuation of terms for the above noted Members. Motion carries.*

- Organized Labor Seats, including Apprenticeship

Cheryl explained there are two expiring terms for Organized Labor and that one must represent apprenticeship. Three nominations were received from the Local Labor Federations. Nominations were received for current Board members Peter Lahmann and Bob Guenther and one for Christina Riley, a nominee. Cheryl stated that PacMtn sent letters to the WA State Labor Council, the Mason Thurston Lewis Central Labor Council, and the Twin Harbors Grays Harbor/Pacific Central Labor Council in efforts to have those three entities decide who they'd like to nominate. There was discussion among the Commissioners on their thoughts about this matter. Many of the Commissioners liked the idea of having the appointees represent a new Member, still active in the workforce and a seasoned member, who can pass along wisdom and experience on the Board.

*Commissioner Stamper moved to approve Bob Guenther and Peter Lahmann to the Organized Labor seats. The **motion failed** for lack of a second.*

*Commissioner Ross motioned to approve Christina Riley to the Apprenticeship seat seconded by Commissioner Hutchings. Yes votes from Ross, Hutchings and Olson. Nay vote from Stamper. **Motion carries.***

Commissioner Stamper expressed strong disappointment at having to choose between Lahmann and Guenther, citing both of them as active in the community. Commissioner Ross motioned to approve Bob Guenther to the Organized Labor seat; seconded by

Commissioner Stamper. All agreed. Motion carries.

IV. Discussion & Informational Reports

A. Board Seat Discussion – Cheryl reminded the Commissioners that in the fall the Consortium agreed to revisit the discussion about Board seats—checking in on the Commissioners’ ability to find acceptable candidates in the business. She identified one vacancy in Lewis County and one in Mason County. She noted that Commissioner Drexler has asked that we hold the Mason County seat for the incoming Director of the Mason County Economic Development Council who has yet to be determined. Commissioner Stamper is confident they will be able find an individual to fill the remaining Lewis County seat, mentioning the Forest Service. The Commissioners were comfortable leaving the seat count as is.

V. Discussion & Deliberation: Good of the Order & Public Comment – None at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 1:58 pm

Submitted by: Vanessa Wasman, Program Assistant