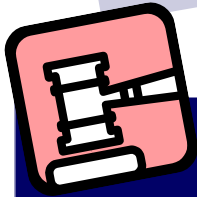
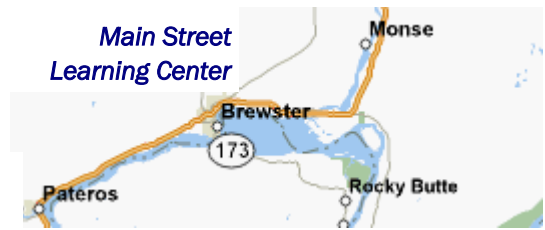


August 22, 2006 WDC Meeting



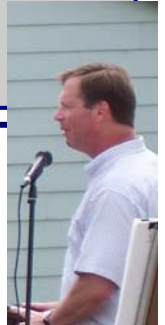
Council Action

- Include Job Corps work toward apprenticeship utilization on One Stop Construction.
- May 16, 2006 Meeting Minutes
- Joint Powers Agreement
- Endorse World's Best Workforce Principles



Moses Lake One-Stop Groundbreaking

WDC member Mike Bolander was master of ceremonies July 6th at the groundbreaking for the Moses Lake One Stop building. Mayor Ron Covey, Beverly Shuford of the Chamber of Commerce along with other board members, community leaders, and partners were on hand at the former Central School sit across from city hall.



Employment Security Commissioner Karen Lee congratulated the WDC and SkillSource for taking the lead in building for the future. She expressed her appreciation on behalf of the state agency and the Governor to Sandy Boughton representing the long-term lender—the USDA Rural Development Administration. Mel Hansen, President of NCW Community Bank—the interim lender—was also present.

Terry Llewellyn

New member Terry Llewellyn was welcomed. Terry has returned to Omak as Plant Manager for Kettle Valley Dried Fruit. Kettle Valley will process 26 million pounds of apples this year and hopes to double production next year. Currently 27 are employed, but they are looking to expand.

The 21,000 square foot one-story building features a light-saving 60 foot atrium over the public resource library. Employment and training services will serve the needs of local businesses, workers and youth.

Chris Wright handled a golden shovel for general contractors, Wanyco Construction of Spokane. Representing the architect was Brad Brisbine of MJ Neal Associates. Construction is scheduled for completion February 2007.



Mark your Calendar !



The Annual Recognition Banquet is November 17 in the Advanced Technologies Education Center (ATEC) at Big Bend Community College.



Meeting Highlights

- Welcome new member Terry Llewellyn with Kettle Valley Dried Fruit in Omak.
- Invite members to attend the WWA Fall Conference October 19.
- Approve recommendation to include pre-apprentice hours toward apprenticeship requirement on Moses Lake One Stop construction project.
- Clarify Cheri Rayburn, Cherie Rayburn, and Cheryl A. Rayburn are the same person.
- Approve May 16, 2006 meeting minutes.
- Approve Joint Powers Agreement
- Submit letter to the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board as part of the Workforce System Review
- Review organizational chart and salary ranges information.

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2006 Fall Conference

Building the World's Best Workforce

October 19, 2006 at the SeaTac DoubleTree Hotel

Members will travel to SeaTac the evening of October 18 and return the following evening. Please return your postcard or call 663-3091 if you would like to attend.

The Fall conference will focus on the impact of workforce development on Washington's competitiveness in the global economy, and the next steps being planned by the US Congress, State Legislature, and Governor to strengthen our workforce. Senator Maria Cantwell has accepted our invitation to provide a keynote address and her insights on federal funding and reform. Senator Patty Murray has also been invited.

Pulitzer Prize winner Hedrick Smith will be speaking on how "Workforce Development is the Key to America's Economic Future" followed by a networking lunch with board



Fall Meeting Schedule

Okanogan Committee: Monday, November 6, 12:00 Noon, Main Street Learning Center, Brewster
Grant/Adams Committee: Tuesday, November 7, 12:00 Noon, SkillSource, Moses Lake
Chelan/Douglas Committee: Wednesday, November 8, 12:00 Noon, SkillSource, Wenatchee
Board Meeting: Friday, November 17, 4:00 p.m., Big Bend Community College