

Washington Council Winter 2025 Board Meeting:

February 11&12

Lacey, WA

[Zoom Link](#)

DAY ONE - TUESDAY, February 11, 2025 PRESENT: Brian Spraggins, Anne Molenda, Alissa Muller, Andra Kelley-Batstone, Guillermo Espinosa, Molly Brown, Leigh Jewett, Audrey Minton, Myndee Ronning, Megan Cooley, Susan Mosby, Melody Ferguson, Ellen Zambrowsky-Huls, Sarah Weis, Jason Yi, Heidi Youseph, Andrea Frangi, Jamie Traugott, Jennifer Nehus, Lucretia Folks, Claire Silva, Julie Garver, Lilia Hueso . Maria Muto and Sheila Steiner via Zoom
ABSENT: Wendy Peterson, Casey Melnick, Paul Seegert, April Tovar, Cheyanne Robertson

12:00pm – General Board Meeting Begins Password LACCS

Lunch is provided for Board members at the start of the meeting

- Welcome and Introductions- Meeting called to order by Heidi Youseph at 12:21.
- Review of Meeting Procedures
- Update on approval of minutes from last meeting via email
- Approval/Edit of Agenda (Secretary) previous approval
- Executive Secretary – Updating of Roster, Housekeeping, Reimbursement and Evening Plans - menu Jasmine

12:30pm – Executive Board Reports and Updates

- President, Past President, President Elect, Treasurer, Technology, Equity & Diversity - Treasurer - no report, no additional reports.
- Open Executive Secretary position - Internal search initially, cover letter/statement of interest, resume. Heidi will take over as interim. Job description on the drive.

1:00pm – Agency/Organization Reports and Updates

- State Board of Education (SBE) - *Alissa Muller Future ready updates (see slides) - thoughts on questions posed.*
- Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) –*Sarah Weiss (see slides)*
- State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) – *Jamie Traugott (see slides)*
- Council of Presidents (COP) – *Julie Garver (see report) All institutions still accepting apps for 2025 Fall except UW Seattle).*
- Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) – *Maria Muto via Zoom, links will be added to notes. High school and beyond plan platform (SchoolLinks) updates. Hiring updates. CSCP newsletter. Dual credit template (required notification). RSEVF process.*
 - *SchoolLinks Demo for Higher Ed, [temporary recording link](#) (Final link will be posted to [HSBP YouTube playlist](#))*
 - *[Dual Credit Notification Template](#) (direct link) also found in gray box on the right-hand side of [Dual Credit Programs](#) webpage*
 - *[RSEVF Tutorial Recording](#)*
 - *[Sign up for updates: Dual Credit Updates & School Counseling News & Notes.](#) Must scroll to the bottom and click submit to save the selections/updates*

2:00pm- Break

2:15pm- Information gathering and feedback

- **Legislative updates** see bill list and review how they are progressing.

Thank you to Lucretia Folks for her years of dedication to the Council as a Board member and Executive Secretary.

3:00pm – Event Reflection & Brainstorm – Small Group Commission Collaborations *If you are not part of one of the identified Commissions below, please choose one to join to participate in the collaboration!*

- 8th Grade Exploration Days - 3 schools participating this year- Eastern, Gonzaga and Peninsula. Emphasis is financial literacy in regards to post secondary and life. Two college students are reviewing and revamping the curriculum. Promoting the event to participants and hosts. Budget discussion. Possible financial institution support.
- General membership - expirations listed, current membership listed. Brainstormed possible members and promoting the Council at different events.

3:45pm – Large Group – Report Back and Start of Commission Updates

4:45pm – Wrap-Up & Reminders *If interested in being on the Exec Secretary board team interviews, please see Jennifer.*

5:00pm – Adjourn Meeting for Day

5:15pm – Evening Gathering (Optional)

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ABSENT: Wendy Peterson, Casey Melnick, Myndee Ronning, Cheyanne Robertson, Maria Muto, Megan Cooley, Alissa Muller

Meeting called to order at 8:30 am

8:30am – Agency/Organization Reports and Updates Continued

- Independent Colleges of Washington (ICW) –*Sheila Steiner (see slides) legislative priority is to preserve what we have.*
- Washington School Counselor Association (WSCA) – *Lilia Hueso (see slides) met with legislators. Spring Conference March 4-7. Sept 19-20 in Spokane Fall Conference. Interested in scheduling with Counselor workshops.*
- Association of Washington School Principals (AWSP) – *Andra Kelley-Batstone (see handouts)*
- Washington Financial Aid Association (WFAA) – *April Tovar Villa (see handouts) 2025-26 FAFSA seems to be working. Working on their organization website, more resources to come.*

9:15am – Commission Updates (Standing and Other)

- Commission on High School/College Tours and Fairs - *Julie Garver group met, flyer/material about best practices on High school fairs, creating a calendar of all dates to coordinate on Council website - send dates to Julie. What would restructuring fairs look like.*
- College Planning Days – *Melody Ferguson, Casey Melnick, Ben Johnson - 6 locations for spring. Bus subsidies at 14 right now. See flyer. More attendees than last year as of now.*
- 8th Grade College Exploration Days- *Ellen Zambroski-Huls & Claire Silva -discussed yesterday*
- Transfer Student Fairs (CTC) - *Leigh Jewett & Jason Yi -coming together well this year, more updates at June meeting with the 2025-26 dates.*
- Transfer Advisor Workshop- *Molly Brown & Cheyanne Robertson 8/7 is date scheduled.*
- Fall Counselor Workshop - *Megan Cooley, Susan Mosby, & Casey Melnick- Sept 8 undefined, 9th Bothell, 10th Lakewood, 11th Pasco, 12th Cheney.*
- Commission on Inter-College Relations (ICRC) – *Audrey Minton - see slides, will have new chair in summer, DTA and Diversity requirement discussion in Spring. Please review the link and suggest changes to handbook and constitution by end of March.*
- Commission on Dual Credit Programs- *Anne Molenda & Guillermo Espinosa - series of learning/key information in some form for possible direction. See survey link to provide information. Surveys wrapped up by end of March, more discussion then at summer meeting. Could use more help on this commission.*
- Commission on Equity & Diversity- *Currently on pause*
- Commission on Publications and Communications – *Paul Seegert & Andrea Frangi - see handout. Same process as previous years. Any contact changes please email Kailynn.*
- Commission on General Membership – *Myndee Ronning & Anne Molenda - discussed yesterday.*

10:00am – Hot Topics for Discussion

- What’s “hot” in the different sectors? RS noted on Seattle public school transcripts RS Lab Credit, RS Math credit -in handbook. Jamie will share with OSPI folks.
- What did we “park” from earlier in the meeting we want to come back to? Promoting the Council - possible promoting at state conferences - get presenting and tabling info to Heidi.

Elementary students? Research leans to 6th grade engagement

11:00am – Old & New Business

- Table at WSCA Conference (March 5-7 DoubleTree by Hilton) - get changes to flyer to Melody.
- Check in regarding anticipated travel restrictions for upcoming meetings

11:30am – Adjourn Board Meeting Meeting Motion to Adjourn presented by Molly Brown, Leigh Jewett seconded. Motion voted and approved to adjourn at 10:50 am.

NEXT MEETING -

Summer: June 24-25, 2025

Location: Hilton Garden Inn, Wenatchee

Fall: November 4-5, 2025

Location: Icicle Inn, Leavenworth

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Small Group Commission Collaborations Rotation

Fall Meeting	Winter Meeting	Summer Meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transfer Advisor Workshop• Dual Credit Programs• Equity & Diversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8th Grade College Exploration Days• Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• College Planning Days• CTC Transfer Fairs• Fall Counselor Workshops