

College of Western Idaho Honors Technical Advisory Committee Members

A volunteer program consisting of local business professionals dedicated to developing a highly skilled workforce

Last week, the College of Western Idaho honored the support provided by groups that help CWI make sure that it is fulfilling the needs of the local business community. Technical Advisory Committees, or TACs, are groups of professionals that play an integral part in guiding CWI's programs to reflect the demands of the current marketplace. These groups of advocates include technicians, supervisors, equipment vendors, trade associations and company trainers. TAC volunteers advise and assist CWI faculty in providing innovative programs, responsive services and instructional excellence to CWI's students and to the community.

Some of the TAC members recognized for exceptional support included:

- Katy Loomis, Bureau of Reclamation – Administrative Support TAC
- Norm Marcum, Lithia Ford – Auto Body TAC
- Royce Dalley, Auto Body Paint & Glass – Auto Body TAC
- Bob Barnhart, Boise Power Systems – Power Sport and Small Engine TAC
- Dennis Harris, Turf Equipment Company – Power Sport and Small Engine TAC
- Myrl Schroeder – Power Sport and Small Engine TAC
- Barry Smith, CESCO – Heavy Duty Equipment TAC
- Ryan Rowbury, Modern Machinery – Heavy Equipment Technician TAC
- Kevin Mallory, Northwest Equipment – Heavy Duty Diesel Truck TAC
- K.C. Braundau, Western States Equipment – Heavy Duty Diesel Truck TAC
- Liz Dilley and Sue Harpold, The Friends of Children and Families – Early Childhood Education TAC
- Steve Heusser and Chris Uberuaga, Solution Pro – Information Technology TAC
- Randy Johnson, Motive Power – Welding & Metal Fabrications TAC
- Ronald Panter, Western Trailers Co. – Welding & Metal Fabrications TAC
- Derek Williams, Johansen Plumbing – Apprenticeship Program
- Chris Buss, Buss Mechanical – Apprenticeship Program
- Jason Neidigh, DeBest Plumbing – Apprenticeship Program
- Ed Barrett, Trebar – Truck Driving Program
- Greg Kelley, May Trucking – Truck Driving Program

These members are only a few of the professional community representatives that provide exceptional support to our programs, helping us maintain high-quality, high-performance workforce training and education to CWI students during these tough economic times. As the College of Western Idaho grows, these groups ensure viable programs in the Treasure Valley that produce trained workforce that will help build economic stability.

For more information regarding CWI's Technical Advisory Committee program, including information on how to get involved, contact Vera McCrink, Dean of Professional Technical Education, 208.562.2505, veramccrink@cwidaho.cc

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