INVEST	INNOVATE	IMPACT
○ Focus on data to prioritize investments. ○ Optimize ROI through resource management. ○ Increase resources for workforce development.	○ Pursue practices & programs that can be scaled up. ○ Develop strategic partnerships. ○ Lead efforts that result in employment and advancement.	○ Mobilize opportunities that support industry sectors. ○ Foster development of career pathways. ○ Educate communities about workforce services available.

AGENDA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Benton County Kalapuya Building

Address: 4500 SW Research Way, Corvallis, OR 97333

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January 23, 2026 - 10:00am – Noon

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Those wishing to speak should sign the "Public Comment" sign-in sheet

A quorum of the Local Elected Officials Consortium Board may be in attendance. No actions or decisions will be taken and will be reflected in the minutes of this meeting.

1. **CALL TO ORDER, CONFIRMATION OF POSTING, and ROLL CALL**

2. **REVIEW and APPROVE AGENDA**
   Inclusion of any emergency items, or deletion of any items.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION**
   Please clearly state your name and address for the record. Each public comment will be limited to three (3) minutes at the Chair's discretion.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**
   - Accept Staff's recommendation to approve the Minutes of the October 24, 2025 Joint Board and Consortium Meeting Minutes.

5. **INFORMATION** – Lisa Avery, President, Linn-Benton Community College
   LBCC update (20 minutes)

6. **INFORMATION –** Christopher Jacobs, Economic Development Manager
   Economic Update (15 minutes)

7. **INFORMATION** – Shaun Barrick, Oregon Employment Department
   Benton County Update (20 minutes)

8. **INFORMATION** – Rick Reid, WCT Marine & Construction
   Information and updates (20 minutes)

9. **BOARD CHAIR REPORT** – Tony Erickson, Chair

10. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – Heather DeSart, NOW Executive Director

11. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS** – Roundtable

12. **SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION**
    Please clearly state your name and address for the record. Each public comment will be limited to three (3) minutes at the Chair's discretion.

13. **ADJOURN**

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