Lane Workforce Partnership
Community Engagement Committee Minutes

Date: 10/30/2026 | Location: Zoom
Attendees: Jesse Quinn, Hannah Eberle, Nicole Matthews, Charlie Vermilyea, John Stapleton

Key Outcomes

The committee previewed Lane County Hot Jobs ahead of its prospective launch and identified suggestions for Monday's final tuning. Members committed to promoting the tool through Career Ready Lane and counselor PD, debriefed the first half of the Fall RACs, and agreed LWP will inventory apprenticeship and earn-and-learn programs by the next meeting. Community Collaborative feedback will inform a leadership decision on its future.

Lane County Hot Jobs (Beta Preview)

- Built by Matt Sayre (Collaborative EDO); refreshes nightly from employer sites, job boards, and government postings. A beta tester has already applied through it.
- **Fixes needed:** Emergence postings (via ApplicantPool) missing; fair chance detection (only 21 flagged; does "lived experience" language count?); some pay ranges in descriptions not captured.
- **Future features:** skills translation (resume to transferable skills, explored with JFF) and an ABC career-level filter that credits experience, not only degrees.

ABC Framework & Career Pathways

- LWP's industry profiles for educators will adopt the ABC framework and update with the biennial State of the Workforce report.
- John and Hannah are starting pathways mapping with Ryan and LCC, plus counselor PD on local pathways; Hot Jobs adds the real-time opportunity layer.
- **Next steps:** Post Hot Jobs and profiles on Career Ready Lane; crosswalk LWP sectors with CTE pathways; align counselor training with Jesse.

Fall RAC Debriefs

- Halfway complete with strong employer engagement and excitement for the March CTE Showcase.
- Computer Science RAC proposed a shared community impact project (like Furniture Lab and Team Oregon Build); Early Childhood RAC drew three industry reps.
- Focus shifts from enthusiasm to practice: activated teachers in each pathway will lead showcase work.

- **Next steps:** Culinary Nov 2, Construction Nov 3, Natural Resources Nov 9, Health Sciences Nov 10; boost industry turnout where it was light.

Sector Partnerships & Career Tours

- Emergence hosted Behavioral Health Program students Oct 23; Casey Reid's thank-you highlighted the diverse staff pathways students met.
- U of O, Bushnell, and LCC are all on Handshake, opening Career Tours to students at all three.
- **Next steps:** Construction & Aggregate Nov 17 with BOLI on apprentice requirements for state and federal contracts (new rules after Jan 1); Hospitality kickoff Nov 18, led by Rebecca Donnelly.

Apprenticeships

- Confusion persists for students and counselors. Some programs are highly competitive (Carpenters take about 15 county-wide), while some non-union employers like Reynolds hire recent graduates.
- About 10 BOLI registered programs in Lane County, all in the trades. Registered programs earn a portable credential; in-house programs do not.
- **Next steps:** Inventory registered and earn-and-learn programs (including out-of-region); get BOLI info to counselors; coach job seekers to ask about earn-and-learn in interviews.

Social Media & Community Collaborative

- Quarterly social media metrics were shared for review.
- Options for the Community Collaborative (about 80 on the listserv) include moving to bimonthly or sunsetting. Nicole supports sunsetting, citing overlap with other regional meetings.
- **Next step:** Jesse brings feedback to LWP leadership.

Action Items

Owner	Action	Due
Jesse	Share Hot Jobs Suggestions with Matt	Nov 2
Jesse	Issue press release; send first job connector newsletter	Nov 3
Charlie	Forward Casey Reid's thank-you note to Jesse	ASAP
Hannah	Add Hot Jobs and industry profiles to Career Ready Lane	At launch
Hannah	Let Rhonda know Bushnell is on Handshake	ASAP
Hannah & John	Add Hot Jobs to counselor PD; set training with LWP/CEDO	Next PD
John & Hannah	Crosswalk LWP sectors with CTE pathways	Next meeting
Nicole	Connect BOLI apprenticeship info to counselors	Nov 17
Jesse	Inventory apprenticeship and earn-and-learn programs	Next meeting

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Jesse	Share Community Collaborative feedback with leadership	Next meeting