

## **JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS**

**April 11, 2025**

**La Grande, OR**

**5:00 PM**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Sen. Kate Lieber, Co-Chair  
Sen. Fred Girod, Co-Vice Chair  
Sen. Dick Anderson  
Sen. Daniel Bonham  
Sen. Anthony Broadman  
Sen. Wlnsvey Campos  
Sen. Lew Frederick  
Sen. Mike McLane  
Sen. David Brock Smith  
Sen. Janeen Sollman**

**Rep. Tawna Sanchez, Co-Chair  
Rep. David Gomberg, Co-Vice Chair  
Rep. Ben Bowman  
Rep. Vikki Breese-Iverson  
Rep. Mark Owens  
Rep. Ricki Ruiz  
Rep. Andrea Valderrama**

### **MEMBER(S) EXCUSED:**

**Sen. James Manning Jr.**

**Rep. Greg Smith, Co-Vice Chair  
Rep. Jami Cate  
Rep. Christine Drazan  
Rep. Paul Evans  
Rep. Emerson Levy**

### **GUEST MEMBER(S):**

**President Rob Wagner  
Senate District 19  
Sen. Todd Nash  
Senate District 29**

**Rep. Bobby Levy  
House District 58**

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

**Amanda Beitel, Legislative Fiscal Officer  
John Terpening, Deputy Legislative Fiscal Officer  
Jade Briski, Committee Assistant  
Lizzie Lohrer, Committee Assistant  
Ron Nalley, Committee Assistant  
Vivian Stair, Committee Assistant**

### **EXHIBITS:**

**Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)**

00:00:34 Meeting Called to Order  
00:00:35 Senator Lieber, Presiding Co-Chair

00:00:37 HB 5006 State Budget  
00:00:44 Co-Chair Lieber  
00:01:47 Rep. Valderrama  
00:02:00 Rep. Ruiz  
00:02:16 Rep. Bowman  
00:02:25 Rep. Owens  
00:02:39 Rep. Breese-Iverson  
00:02:53 Rep. B. Levy, House District 58  
00:03:11 Sen. Nash, Senate District 29  
00:03:26 Co-Vice Chair Gomberg  
00:03:41 Co-Chair Sanchez  
00:03:50 Co-Chair Lieber  
00:04:00 Co-Vice Chair Girod  
00:04:13 President Wagner, Senate District 19  
00:04:23 Sen. Sollman  
00:04:32 Sen. McLane  
00:04:52 Sen. Anderson  
00:05:15 Sen. Frederick  
00:05:27 Sen. Campos  
00:05:39 Sen. Broadman  
00:05:51 Sen. Smith  
00:06:03 Sen. Bonham  
00:06:24 Co-Chair Lieber  
00:12:38 Kelly Ryan, President, Eastern Oregon University  
00:14:40 Oreng Kikuo, Student, Eastern Oregon University  
00:16:15 Anthony Stenson, Assistant Professor of Psychology, Eastern Oregon University  
00:18:31 Paul Anderes, Union County Oregon and Eastern Oregon Counties, Union County Oregon  
00:19:47 Dana Young, President, Treasure Valley Community College  
00:21:55 Dan Dorrان, Commissioner, Umatilla County  
00:24:18 Andrew Maeda, Executive Director, Ontario Recreation District  
00:26:07 Shane Alderson, Baker County Commission Chair, Baker County  
00:27:53 Chad Ray, Mayor, City of Echo  
00:30:22 Cindy Timmons, Commissioner, Umatilla County  
00:32:16 Matt Scarfo, County Commissioner, Union County  
00:33:11 Toby Patrick, Board of Trustees, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation  
00:35:42 John Hillock, Commissioner, Wallowa County  
00:37:16 Lisa Collier, Commissioner, Wallowa County  
00:38:42 John Shafer, County Commissioner, Umatilla County  
00:41:05 Thomas Powers, Presiding Judge, Union County Circuit Court

00:43:10 Carrie Caselton Lowe, Regional Coordinator, Oregon Farm to School Network  
00:45:16 Amanda Bain, Baker City  
00:47:41 Robert Kleng, Director, Eastern Oregon University Head Start  
00:49:41 JD Cant, Imbler Future Farmers of America  
00:51:43 Brenda Davis, Executive Director Treasure, Valley Children's Relief Nursery  
00:54:02 Dave Dallas, Director of Teach Rural Oregon College of Education, Eastern Oregon University  
00:56:06 Hollie Oakes-Miller, Vice President of Political Action, AFT-OR  
00:58:08 Pamela Frederick-Williams, Benefits Navigator, Eastern Oregon University  
01:00:36 Tyler Nall, Developmental Disabilities Program Director, Wallowa Valley Center for Wellness  
01:02:30 Patrick Flynn, Foundation Manager, Grande Ronde Hospital Foundation  
01:04:14 Diane Davis, Hermiston  
01:06:45 Jenee Gillespie, AFSCME Local 2376  
01:08:49 Don Carlyle, AFSCME Local 3361  
01:10:54 Peter Hall, Director, Haines Fire Protection District  
01:13:09 Travis Trumbull, District Manager, Walla Walla River, Irrigation District  
01:15:12 Tom Doman, White Sage Land and Cattle  
01:16:31 Catherine Thomasson, MD, Vice-Chair, Democratic Party of Oregon Environmental Caucus  
01:19:03 Lisa Dawson, Executive Director, Northeast Oregon Economic Development District  
01:21:11 Ginger Savage, Board Member, Cultural Advocacy Coalition  
01:23:14 Brenda Smith, High Desert Partnership, High Desert Partnership  
01:25:34 Tammy Vogt, soultogogether  
01:27:39 Cindy Dougharity-Spencer, Teacher, Union High School  
01:29:43 Aletha Bonebrake, Vice-President, Chair, Baker Orpheum Theater Project Eastern Oregon Regional Theatre Inc.  
01:32:08 Nataly Coria Vazquez, College Possible student, Eastern Oregon University  
01:34:11 Robin Jolin, La Grande School Board  
01:36:16 Mario Uribe Saldana, School Principal, McCloughlin High School, Milton Freewater School District 7  
01:38:18 Dustin Ellis, Assistant Professor of Political Science and History, Eastern Oregon University  
01:40:24 Jennifer Galloway, Umatilla County CARE Program  
01:42:24 Paul Nauert, History Professor, Eastern Oregon University, and Farm Co-Partner, Muddypaws Farm  
01:44:52 Kim Adams, WIC Program Coordinator, Center for Human Development, Inc.  
01:46:51 Chris Early, Social Studies Teacher, Umatilla High School  
01:49:01 Cheryl Hudson, In-Home Caregiver, La Grande  
01:51:14 Richard Ritter, Faculty, ELA Baker Charter Schools  
01:52:34 Cheryl Campbell, Chapter Chair Health Care for All Oregon, Union County Chapter  
01:53:15 Rob Frank, Commissioner, Harney County

01:55:12 David Slaght, City Administrator, City of Echo  
01:57:10 Barry Murphy, City Manager, Baker City  
01:58:17 Jeffrey Rose, High Desert Partnership  
02:00:37 Ian Wilson, Landowner  
02:02:06 Kathleen Dunn, Director, Elkhorn Public Defender  
02:04:18 Andrew Scheele, Natural Resources Worker, La Grande  
02:06:39 John Baker, Landowner, Wallowa  
02:09:07 Beth Upsha, Retired, Eastern Oregon University  
02:11:54 Co-Chair Lieber  
  
02:13:51 Meeting Adjourned