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Shown above, from left, Kansas Governor **Laura Kelly**, SPEEA Area VP **Matthew Joyce** and former Kansas Governor **Kathleen Sebelius**. Both Kelly and Sebelius focused on the importance of electing pro-labor candidates in Kansas.

SPEEA at D.C. labor event with Kansas governors

WASHINGTON, D.C. – On behalf of IFPTE, SPEEA Council officer **Matthew Joyce** attended an event May 19 with Kansas Governor **Laura Kelly** and former Kansas Governor **Kathleen Sebelius**, who also served as U.S. Health and Human Services secretary.

The International Brotherhood of Teamsters (IBT) hosted the event in Washington, D.C., to recognize the work of and raise funds for the Bluestem Kansas and the Kansas Values Institute.

Joyce is SPEEA Council chair, Midwest Council treasurer and IFPTE Executive Council SPEEA Area vice president.

“The event was a great opportunity for me to remind Governor Kelly and others of the unique issues facing SPEEA and IFPTE members employed in the aerospace industry in Kansas,” Joyce said. “It was a productive event with these lawmakers and with the larger labor community.”

NW Council

Time to apply for STEM Grant Review Committee

If you’re interested in a short-term committee with a big impact, apply for the Northwest Council Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Grant Review Committee.

This committee meets to review the grant applications and make a recommendation on distribution of funds. The committee, which includes Northwest Council officers, meets in late July and August to prepare a motion for the Northwest Council vote Sept. 8.

Interested?

Email nw_stem_grants@speea.org with your contact information and school district where you live by noon, Thursday, June 30.

Apply for STEM grant

The NW Council STEM grant application is online – see the article on the homepage at www.speea.org. Grant applications are due by Aug. 15 and must be submitted by a Northwest SPEEA member.

Council Rep vacancy in Renton

RENTON, Wash. – SPEEA has an interim Council Rep vacancy in Boeing Renton district R-5 due to the resignation of **Mark Friesen**, who transferred to a non-union job.

The district Council Rep represents Profs only in Renton buildings 4-81, 4-82 and 4-86.

If you are a Prof in district R-5, meet the minimum one-year SPEEA membership requirement and are interested in serving your co-workers as their union rep, complete and return your petition by noon, Tuesday, July 12.

Training is provided.

Steps to apply

- **Instructions and petition** – Download the election information and petition booklet on SPEEA’s website, at www.speea.org (drop-down menu: Councils/Forms, Petitions, Delineations). The instructions include a template for collecting petition signatures if working remote.
- **Complete petition** – Fill out the required information and obtain the signatures of at least 15 SPEEA members in good standing from your district.
- **Submit petition** – Email petition to petitions@speea.org by noon, Tuesday, July 12.
- **Platform statement** – Email your statement to petitions@speea.org. The 150-word (max) statement is for a ballot packet if an election occurs.

Questions? Email petitions@speea.org.

Additional Council Rep vacancies are in the district roster at www.speea.org (drop-down menu: Councils/Find Your Council Rep).



New and in-demand classes for June

Classes listed here are virtual only except for CPR/AED Certification Training, scheduled for the SPEEA Everett hall.

Register for classes – email ace@speea.org.

Dates/Times	Classes
June 6, 5 to 6:30 p.m.	Financial Planning 101 with Matt Kempf - Strengthen your financial plan by learning more about key building blocks.
June 11, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. June 18, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. June 25, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Python Programming Level 1: Introduction for Programmers (three-day Saturday class) - Learn how to work with and manipulate strings, Python sequences and more. Attendees must have some programming experience. Space is limited!
June 14, 3:30 to 6 p.m. SPEEA Everett	CPR & AED Class (In-person at Everett SPEEA Hall) - This is adult/child/infant all-inclusive certification for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillator (AED).
June 15, 5 to 6 p.m.	Interview Like a CEO with Dawn Rasmussen - Gain confidence in your ability to highlight your accomplishments and experiences in an interview.
June 16, 5 to 6:30 p.m.	Unconscious Bias: Unleash Your Full Potential by Eliminating Hidden Bias with Francisca Garcia-Fritts - Recognize and observe your own biases and learn how to move past them when they show up at work or in your personal life.
June 29-30, 5 to 7 p.m.	Live & Interactive Excel Training: Lookups & Pivot Tables (two-day course) with Chris Carhart - Tap the power of Excel to manage and analyze large data sets.

Learn more at www.aerocareer.org. Sign up for SPEEA home email at www.speea.org to receive ACE updates.

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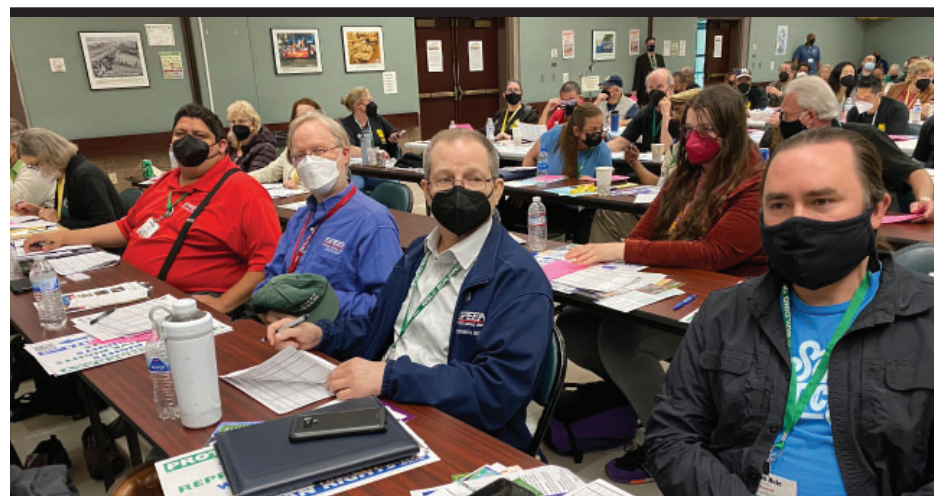
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Discussions on ballot recommendations

SPEEA at state labor COPE convention

SPEEA members of the Northwest Labor Delegates Committee attended the Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education (COPE) Endorsing Convention May 21. The SPEEA members observed the other union delegates' discussion on candidates for multiple elected offices from the federal to the state level. The endorsement discussions also looked at state ballot measures. See the results at tstand.org (the WSLC online labor news site). Shown above from left, SPEEA Northwest Regional Vice President **John Dimas**, retiree **Brent McFarlane**, SPEEA Treasurer **Dan Nowlin** and SPEEA President **Ryan Rule**.



SPEEA supports Wichita Riverfest

SPEEA is a sponsor of the hot air balloons at Riverfest in Wichita. Nancy Duling, president and CEO of Wichita Festivals Inc., is shown here with Chris Streckfus, SPEEA Midwest regional vice president. SPEEA has been a sponsor of Riverfest, which offers family friendly events and entertainment. This year's Riverfest runs June 3-11.

Northwest Council actions – May 12

At their regular meeting, the Northwest Council:

- Welcomed Designated Alternates (DA) **Angelie Vincent**, DA for **Carolyn Wilson** (E-33), and **Peter Harmon**, DA for **Alvin Xayasensouk** (RS-10).
- Heard an update on the status of SPEEA audiovisual systems from **Martin Pascual**, SPEEA director of Information Technology. In the fall, SPEEA will have a new system.
- Conducted a straw poll on preferences for returning to the SPEEA offices for meetings. Votes were ranked. First choice: I prefer virtual - 24 votes, I prefer in person - 13 votes and I am unable to attend in person - 11 votes. More discussion to follow at upcoming Council meetings.
- Heard a report on the proposed referendum by Council Rep **Mike Pirone** (D-9), chair of the SPEEA Organizational Planning Committee. He explained the background and the problem with the SPEEA Constitution along with a timeline for a referendum. He also acknowledged efforts by Organizational Planning and Governing Docs committee members, Executive Board, staff and volunteers.

TRAINING/ EVENTS

See online calendar for details.
RSVP where you plan to attend.

NORTHWEST

Half-price tickets for Seattle Storm

Professional women's basketball

Sunday, July 24, 3 p.m.

Link to purchase coming soon to www.speea.org

Northwest Women's Advocacy Committee

MIDWEST

Young Professionals no-host social

Friday, June 10, 4 p.m.

Nortons Brewing
125 St. Francis St

Midwest Young Professionals Committee

Young Professionals monthly trivia night

Monday, June 27, 7 p.m.

Chicken N Pickle
1240 N Greenwich Rd., Wichita

Midwest Young Professionals Committee



Shown above are Jack in the Bot team members with the FIRST championship banner and award. With other teams, Jack in the Bot formed an alliance that won its division, one of six total at the championship.

Success for SPEEA-sponsored robotics teams

Congratulations to seven SPEEA-sponsored teams at the world championship of For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) in Houston, Texas. The teams were CyberKnights, Shoreline, Washington, Generals, Portland, Oregon, Jack in the Bot, Mill Creek, Washington, Team Mean Machine, Camas, Washington, Panther Robotics, Bonney Lake, Washington, Sonic Squirrels, Snohomish, Washington and XBOT Robotics, Seattle, Washington. See more about all the teams in the June SPEEA Spotlight.

At right, members of the CyberKnights shown here are, from left, **Sienna Mackey**, **Rania Kovara**, **Payton Mong** and **Kayla Neckorcuk** (mentor). They are reviewing the Computer Aided Design (CAD) while assembling the cargo launcher for the robot.





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Executive Board mini-minutes – May 5

Attendees: Ryan Rule, Dan Nowlin, Shaunna Winton, John Dimas, Deena Hougham

Excused: Chris Streckfus, Mike Arrington

Council officers: Byron Henderson, David Garrett, Tonya Sanders, Jeff Forbes, Peter Goodfellow

Guests: Jimmie Mathis, David Fritz

Staff: Ray Goforth, BJ Moore, Steve Spyridis, Rich Plunkett, Robin Fleming, Pauline Tamblyn, Martin Pascual, Bill Dugovich, Matt Kempf

At their regular meeting, the Board:

- Approved the purchase of two Owl Pro cameras at a cost not to exceed \$2,100 for use in the Wichita office.
- Approved funding equipment purchase funds not to exceed \$42,000.
- Approved funding equipment for Aerospace Career Enhancement (ACE) up to \$96,000 plus tax.
- Approved moving forward with Cloud-based servers at a cost of \$5,000 per year.

Candidate for public office?

Are you a SPEEA member running for your local school district, city council, legislature or other public office in 2022?

SPEEA would like to include members' candidate information in an upcoming article to help raise awareness. Email **Karen McLean** (karenm@speea.org) by Friday, June 17.

SPEEA provides this information as a service to members, but does not endorse nor provide political contributions to any candidate.

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULES

NORTHWEST MEETINGS (ALL TIMES PT)

	Week of May 30, 2022
Tuesday, May 31	4:30 p.m. NW Tellers
Wednesday, June 1	4:30 p.m. NW Action and Communication Taskforce
Thursday, June 2	3:30 p.m. SPEEA Council Convention
Saturday, June 4	8:00 a.m. SPEEA Leadership Conference
	Week of June 6, 2022
Monday, June 6	4:30 p.m. NW Safety & Wellness
Tuesday, June 7	4:00 p.m. SPEEA Leadership Development & Training
Wednesday, June 8	4:30 p.m. SPEEA Diversity
	Week of June 13, 2022
Wednesday, June 15	4:00 p.m. SPEEA Governing Documents
Wednesday, June 15	5:00 p.m. NW Governing Documents
Thursday, June 16	4:00 p.m. Executive Board

MIDWEST MEETINGS (ALL TIMES CT)

	Week of May 30, 2022
Thursday, June 2	5:30 p.m. SPEEA Council Convention
Saturday, June 4	10:00 a.m. SPEEA Leadership Conference
	Week of June 6, 2022
Tuesday, June 7	6:00 p.m. SPEEA Leadership Development & Training
Wednesday, June 8	6:30 p.m. SPEEA Diversity
	Week of June 13, 2022
Wednesday, June 15	6:00 p.m. SPEEA Governing Documents
Thursday, June 16	4:30 p.m. MW Young Professionals
Thursday, June 16	6:00 p.m. Executive Board

Meetings are being held virtually and are subject to change/cancellations. See online regional calendars at www.speea.org for details.