

CONSENT ITEM (RESOLUTION 26-04-16)

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Recognition of Crystal Donner's Years of Service to the State Board

Brief Description

This item formally commends Crystal Donner for her eight years of service to the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges as a board member.

How does this item link to the State Board's Strategic Plan?

The resolution correlates to *Objective 4.3: Strengthen advocacy and community partnerships* by recognizing the continued engagement between Crystal Donner and State Board staff, chancellors and presidents, college faculty and staff, and student leaders throughout the community and technical colleges system.

Background information and analysis

Crystal Donner was appointed as a board member for the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges in January 2018. During her time with the State Board, Ms. Donner exercised her wealth of experience to advocate for students throughout the community and technical colleges system.

She currently serves as the president and CEO of Pertect, Inc. (now Ardurra Group), an employee-owned infrastructure consulting firm focused on transportation design and planning, transit and utility design, construction management, environmental projects, and emergency preparedness. Her position is bolstered by nearly three decades of experience as a professional civil engineer.

Ms. Donner has been active in the business community regarding issues affecting community and technical colleges, especially business competitiveness and infrastructure. She regularly advocated on behalf of issues impacting higher education, the engineering profession, and transportation across the region. Her dedication to

The State Board expresses its sincere gratitude and appreciation for Ms. Donner's eight years of service and wishes her all the best in her future endeavors.

Recommendation/preferred result

Staff recommends approval of Resolution 26-04-16 to formally commend Crystal Donner for her years of service and dedication to the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

Policy Manual Change Yes No

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**STATE OF WASHINGTON
STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGES
RESOLUTION 26-04-16**

A resolution to formally recognize Crystal Donner's eight years of service to the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges as a board member.

WHEREAS, Crystal Donner was first appointed as a board member to the State Board in January 2018; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Donner currently serves as the president and CEO of Perteet, Inc. ((now Ardurra Group); and

WHEREAS, Ms. Donner has nearly three decades of experience as a professional civil engineer; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Donner has been active in the business community regarding issues affecting community and technical colleges, especially business competitiveness and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Donner was an advocate for transportation and education issues; and


WHEREAS, Ms. Donner brought to the State Board a wealth of experience that greatly benefited students throughout the community and technical colleges system; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the State Board expresses its sincere appreciation for Ms. Donner's years of service and wishes her the best in her future endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges hereby commends Crystal Donner for her eight years of service to thousands of students across Washington state's community and technical colleges system. The State Board offers its congratulations.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED on (04/09/2026)

Attest



Nate Humphrey, secretary



Martin Valadez, chair