

# AWISA Fall Meeting

## Friday, November 19, 2010

### Lake Washington Technical College

### Redmond, WA

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## Agenda

8:30 – 9:00 am      **Social Time**  
Location: Main Lobby  
Light refreshments will be served, mingle with fellow AWISAns!

9:00 – 9:15 am      **Greetings and Overview**  
Location: Halverson Construction Conference Room (R133)

9:15 – 10:00 am    **Welcome Address**  
Location: Auditorium  
Presenter(s): Kristen Hayden

Summary: Kristen Hayden, founder of OneWorld Now!, has a passion for cross-cultural understanding. After studying, living, and working overseas, Kristen founded OneWorld Now! (OWN), a global leadership program for underserved youth, in 2002. Underserved youth have historically had the least access to international learning opportunities and OWN is making a significant difference in our students' lives! After two years, OWN was recognized as "one of the nation's most innovative after school programs" by the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation. Now in its 9<sup>th</sup> year of programming, OWN has served over 1,000 youth, most of whom are low-income and youth of color in the Seattle area. OWN has also developed partnerships in Los Angeles and New York City, and is expanding the full OWN program outside in Hawaii. Kristin was recently selected as an Ashoka Fellow, "as a leading social entrepreneur who we recognize to have innovative solutions and the potential to change patterns across society." Kristin intends to create a national model for international education and promote the importance of study abroad for all! Kristin was also recently appointed by Governor Christine Gregoire to serve on the Board of Trustees for The Evergreen State College.

10:00 – 10:15 am    **Break**

10:15 – 11:15 am    **Concurrent Sessions**

**Session A: Immigration Lawyer Forum**  
Location: Halverson Construction Conference Room (R133)  
Presenter(s): Lori Walls, Gibbs, Houston, Pauw  
Robert Gibbs, Gibbs, Houston, Pauw  
Bonnie Stern Wasser, Law Office of Bonnie Stern Wasser

Panel Moderator: Mary Meulblok, Pierce College

Summary: A panel of local immigration attorneys will speak about the types of cases that they often see from international students, share any information that they think may be useful for international educators to know when working with international students, and answer questions.

### **Session B: Deciphering Accreditation**

Location: R116

Presenter(s): Wade Bird, Assistant Director, Foundation for International Services

Summary: This session will seek to address topics relating to accreditation and recognition of foreign educational credentials. The conversation will take into consideration accrediting practices in the United States and then apply the concepts to the transfer of foreign credit and degree recognition. Topics will include types of accreditation, confusing and misleading accreditation, trends, and definitions.

11:15 – 12:00 pm

### **Customs and Border Protection Q & A**

Location: Halverson Construction Conference Room (R133)

Presenter(s): Joseph Stead, Supervisory Customs and Border Protection Officer

Summary: Learn about recent updates at CBP, travel issues, and much more!

12:00 – 1:30 pm

### **Lunch, Sponsored by Firebird International Insurance Group, LLC**

Presentation by Jinky Effertz of Firebird International Insurance Group, LLC

**-or-**

12:00 – 1:30 pm

### **Lunch, on your own**

AWISAns who did not RSVP for the sponsored luncheon or who prefer to have lunch on their own are welcome to have lunch on their own in one of the many area eateries.

1:30 – 2:30 pm

### **Advisor to Advisor**

Location: Halverson Construction Conference Room (R133)

Presenter(s): David Roseberry, Region I Regbud, Seattle Central Community College

Summary: Regbud and Region I updates. This session is an opportunity to ask questions and learn from each other.

2:30 – 3:00 pm

### **Business Meeting**

Location: Halverson Construction Conference Room (R133)

Agenda items:

- Approval of Minutes
- Membership Roster
- Membership Dues
- Treasurer's Report
- Treasurer Special Election
- Job Announcements

## **Upcoming Meetings:**

Winter AWISA Meeting: February 25, University of Washington, Tacoma

Spring AWISA Meeting: April 29, Edmonds Community College

**Read AWISA Announcements for more details**

**AWISA: Association of Washington International Student Affairs**

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