



Retired Public Employees Council of Washington

MEMORANDUM

To: RPEC Chapter 25 Members
From: Emmett Mills, Membership Coordinator
Date: November 23, 2021
Re: Transfer to Chapter 27

Greetings RPEC Chapter 25 Members,

On September 16th, members of Chapter 25 (Grant County Area) voted to disband the chapter. It was not an easy decision to make, but a necessary one. The chapter officers had given all they could give and were ready to pass the baton. Every effort was made to find new leaders, but none were found. With no other options, the chapter voted to disband.

On November 15th, the RPEC Executive Board voted to transfer members of Chapter 25 members to Chapter 27. Chapter 27 meets in Wenatchee and covers Chelan, Douglas, Okanogan, and now Grant counties. They hold their meetings on the second Thursday of the month, September through May. Recently, their meetings have been held on the videoconference platform Zoom. You will soon begin to receive their newsletters.

Don Boxford is the President of Chapter 27. He can be reached at dbox@nwi.net or (509) 670-7493. Don worked for Snohomish County where he was an active member of his union and fought to get full medical coverage for county employees. He then moved over the mountains and worked as a labor rep for local government employees in North Central Washington.

Please feel welcome to attend the virtual Chapter 27 meeting on **Thursday, December 9th at 11:00 AM**. Please find the meeting login information below:

Computer Login Information

Go to <https://zoom.us/join>
Meeting ID: 227 058 2870
Passcode: nP3L7M

Phone Login Information

Dial: (253) 215-8782
Meeting ID: 227 058 2870
Phone Passcode: 956551



I would like to thank the many members who played an active role in Chapter 25 over the years. Doreen Bendickson served as Chapter President for the better part of 20 years and deserves recognition for her service to the chapter.

While it is sad to see Chapter 25 come to a close, it is reassuring to know that RPEC is currently in a strong position with over 11,500 members across the state. Please continue your participation and advocacy as we work together to protect our pensions, benefits, and retirement security.

Thank you,

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President Doreen Bendickson (Left) and Vice-President Doris Israel in 2006. Doris passed away in January 2020.