

Title	Resolution 16-01 - Acknowledgement of Dr. Gene Sharratt's Service to the Council
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Synopsis	Dr. Gene Sharratt will retire from his position as the executive director of the Washington Student Achievement Council, effective July 1. In honor of Dr. Sharratt's service, exemplary leadership, and lifelong commitment to education, Council members will present and take action on Resolution 16-01.
Guiding questions	N/A
Possible council action	<input type="checkbox"/> Information/Discussion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Adopt <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Documents and attachments	<input type="checkbox"/> Brief/Report <input type="checkbox"/> PowerPoint <input type="checkbox"/> Third-party materials <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other



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RESOLUTION 16-01

WHEREAS, Dr. Gene Sharratt, serving as the Executive Director of the Washington Student Achievement Council, has announced his retirement from the agency; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sharratt has devoted his career to improving education for students in Washington, Alaska, and Norway, serving ten years in higher education and thirty years as a K-12 teacher, principal, district administrator, and ESD administrator; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sharratt's scholarly credentials include a doctorate degree from Washington State University, a master's degree from Pacific Lutheran University, and a bachelor's degree from Washington State University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sharratt has received many well-deserved awards in honor of his exceptional work, including the recently bestowed Valerie Logan Leadership in Science Education Award (2015) and Highline College's Distinguished Alumnus Award (2015); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Sharratt's leadership of the Council spurred the evolution of this young agency into a strong educational leader, directing efforts to advance educational opportunities and attainment in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, Gene and his mighty Subaru have traveled the distance to the moon and back in the service of educators and students in Washington.

WHEREAS, Dr. Sharratt has had a profound influence on the agency's culture, possessing a remarkably positive attitude that has set the tone and direction for those fortunate enough to work under his leadership, resulting in the Washington Student Achievement Council becoming of the state's top employers of choice, as reflected in remarkably high indicators of employee trust, satisfaction, and loyalty; and

WHEREAS, Gene has served as served as Chair and provided leadership to the GET Committee, Results Washington Goal One, the STEM Alliance,

WHEREAS, Dr. Sharratt works tirelessly and selflessly as a mentor and friend to hundreds of individuals to support them professionally and personally, giving of his time, expertise and cliff bars; and

WHEREAS, though Dr. Sharratt's title may change, his influence will not, as we will count on him as a wise counselor, trusted leader, and loyal friend for many years to come, and

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington Student Achievement Council and staff hereby express robust appreciation for the tremendous leadership, facilitation, coordination, energy and overall contributions of Dr. Sharratt to this agency and Washington's educational system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that though Dr. Sharratt will be sorely missed in Olympia, he has great opportunities to further impact Washington students through his new position in Wenatchee; and

THEREFORE, the Council and staff offer Dr. Sharratt our sincerest gratitude for all your service to this state, and we offer our sincerest hopes for many more, well-deserved joyful days to come.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Gene Sharratt, Ph.D.

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RESOLUTION 16-03

WHEREAS, Mr. Eric Pattison, who has served as the student member of the Washington Student Achievement Council since July 2015, has completed his time of service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pattison has devoted much time and energy to providing a student perspective on all matters relating to improving educational attainment in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pattison impacted the work of the Council during the 2016 Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pattison balanced his commitment to the Council with concurrent enrollment in Bellevue College; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pattison is the first student representative from Washington's community and technical college system; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pattison successfully pursued his own academic goals while advocating for a quality education for all students; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pattison carries himself with admirable humility, despite being a nationally ranked table tennis player; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pattison continually brought enthusiasm, a collegial demeanor, and behavior congruent with a commitment to collaboration; and

WHEREAS, Though Mr. Pattison's time on the Council will end, his impact on the Council and its work will remain;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Washington Student Achievement Council and staff hereby express our sincerest gratitude for Mr. Pattison's commitment to improving educational attainment for Washington students; and

THEREFORE, The Council and staff wish Mr. Pattison good fortune with the many adventures and opportunities that await.