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UNION DEMOCRACY

Washington Building Trades convenes in Vancouver

VANCOUVER, Wash.—The 63rd annual convention of the Washington State Building Trades Council (WSBCTC) was held June 19-20 at the Vancouver Hilton with 126 delegates and 85 guests in atten-

dance. Sixty locals and councils representing thousands of workers are affiliated with WSBCTC. Several are base in Oregon, as they have jurisdiction in Southwest Washington. Delegates heard from Sean McGarvey, president of North America's Building Trades Unions, along with many other speakers. They also acted on 10 resolutions, including one to hold future conventions in odd numbered years rather than annually, and lengthening the terms of its officers from three to four years, starting in 2021.

Left: Insulators Local 36 Business Manager Walt Caudle and Business Agent Ron Mathis listen to speakers. **Right:** WSBCTC Executive Secretary Mark Riker addresses delegates. **Bottom left:** Laborers Local 335 business manager Shannon Stull checks out one of many vendors at the convention. **Bottom right:** Cement Masons Local 555 Business Manager Geoff Kossak looks over resolutions and other materials.



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