

2021 COEDC Advisory Council

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Industry Sector Directors (17)

Jeremy Burgess	Pushor Mitchell LLP, Lawyer	Professional Services/Law
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Noel Wentworth	Wentworth Music, VP Education/Media	Arts & Culture
Jill White	Waterplay Solutions Corp.	Manufacturing
Michael Zuk	RBC Dominion Securities	Professional Services/Financial Svc

Local Government Economic Development Staff Appointees (6)

BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, & Rural Development	Regional Manager Thompson Okanagan Region	Myles Bruns
District of Lake Country	Manager of Communications and Governmental Affairs	Ruth Sulentich
City of Kelowna	Director, Partnerships Office	Bob Evans
Westbank First Nation	Manager of Economic Development	Mandi Carroll
City of West Kelowna	Director Corporate Initiatives	Sandy Webster
District of Peachland	Special Projects Coordinator	Cory Labrecque

Local Government Appointees (6)

District of Lake Country	Councillor Cara Reed (Alternate Bill Scarrow)
City of Kelowna	Councillor Ryan Donn (Alternate Mohini Singh)
Westbank First Nation	Councillor Fernanda Alexander
City of West Kelowna	Councillor Jason Friesen
District of Peachland	Councillor Patrick Van Minsel
Regional District of Central Okanagan	Central Okanagan East Director Mark Bartyik

Partner Organization Appointees (15)

Accelerate Okanagan	Alex Goodhew, Community Manager
Business Development Bank of Canada	Steve North, Business Centre Manager
Community Futures of the Central Okanagan	Larry Widmer, Manager
Economic Trust of the Southern Interior	Laurel Douglas, CEO
Greater Westside Board of Trade	Adria Perron, Director (Alt Heather Robinson, Executive Director)
Kelowna Chamber of Commerce	Dan Rogers, Executive Director
	Jeffrey Robinson, President
Kelowna International Airport	Chad Munchinsky, Manager, Airport Business Development and Community Relations
Lake Country Chamber of Commerce	Chris Lewis, Chamber Secretary
Okanagan College	Phil Ashman, Central Okanagan Regional Dean
Peachland Chamber of Commerce	Greg Sewell, Vice - President
Tourism Kelowna	Jennifer Horsnell, Director of Business & Destination Development
University of British Columbia-Okanagan	Dr. Phil Barker, Vice-Principal Research Okanagan
University of British Columbia-Okanagan	Nicole Udzenija, Director – Campus Initiatives
Women's Enterprise Centre	Sandra Bird, Director Operations