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Building Idaho's newest community college is no small task. In the first issue of CWI News I highlighted a number of critical steps our staff and the College of Western Idaho's Board of Trustees have taken to help start a new community college in Idaho for the first time in 45 years. I also mentioned a partnership with Larry G. Selland College of Applied Technology in that issue and how the insight and curriculum this institution provided to CWI formed a solid foundation for our future. Today I am excited to announce that our foundation will be further solidified next summer when the programs and staff of Larry G. Selland College of Applied Technology are officially incorporated into the College of Western Idaho.

Through an agreement with Boise State University, the Selland College of Applied Technology's staff and curriculum will become part of CWI no later than July 1, 2009. Selland College employees that meet the performance standards necessary to serve our community will transition from working for BSU on that date to being employed by the College of Western Idaho, and we are working diligently to make this transition as seamless as possible. We are also evaluating the most cost-effective and market-responsive employee benefits available in order to provide every CWI employee with competitive and secure benefits now and in the future.

I believe the employees who make this transition will be energized by the new culture, new opportunities, and new challenges CWI has to offer. These employees will quickly realize that we have the opportunity and responsibility to build a different kind of community college together; a comprehensive resource that will help transform the Treasure Valley and enable our community to take control of its educational and economic future.

Through an agreement with the Selland College of Applied Technology, CWI opened its doors to students for the first time by offering a wide selection of certificate classes and fast track career training non-credit programs. It is only fitting that this institution's staff and programs become an important part of CWI's future. I am excited by the substantial insight and expertise that the Selland College employees will bring to the College of Western Idaho. Together we will deliver what our neighbors, friends, co-workers and local businesses need to achieve their full potential.

New Additions to CWI Team

Kim Bettencourt
Technical Records Specialist

Autumn Brackley
Enrollment Specialist

Luis Caloca
Enrollment Specialist

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