I am Bob Iddins

I have been a member of BCHW since 2014 and an active member and current Director for the Traildusters Chapter. I have been increasingly more involved with the state level organization for the past 2 years having been invited to participate in ad hoc committees to select our current Grant Coordinator and the BCHW Reimagine Committee.

My leadership background and experience come from 22 years of military service with the US Coast Guard where I served in many positions of leadership to include second in command of a large Coast Guard Cutter, leading international training teams all over the world and being the head of the Leadership and Management training division of the Coast Guards Officer Candidate School for 3 years.

I see several areas where we as an organization can continue to improve and strive for excellence. We talk about growing our membership, what better way to accomplish this than to start at the beginning with a strong Juniors program across the state? I have seen this program in action as my Chapter, Traildusters, is currently the only chapter in the state to have a junior’s program. It has grown from 3 initial members to 9 today with education, LNT and community service as their primary focus areas. I would like to help BCHW develop a strong Junior’s program that can extend across the state.

Consolidating our training programs into a Training College format is another area I would like to see BCHW endeavor to provide easy access to both online and in-person training programs with the focus on our mission statement and BCHW goals. Making all types of training easily available to all members which may include potential incentives to complete certain courses would help to train and retain current and new members.

I have been personally asked by Dana Chambers to run as her Vice President. She and I have had many conversations about BCHW, and our passion, vision and personalities compliment each other to where we could work very well together as well as working well with all members of BCHW.

Our number one resource is our people!

Having served on the BCHW Board of Directors for two years and getting the opportunity to have a part in the continued path forward for BCHW as your Vice President would be a great honor.