



# Retired Public Employees Council

## Chapter 35 – King County/Metro Retirees

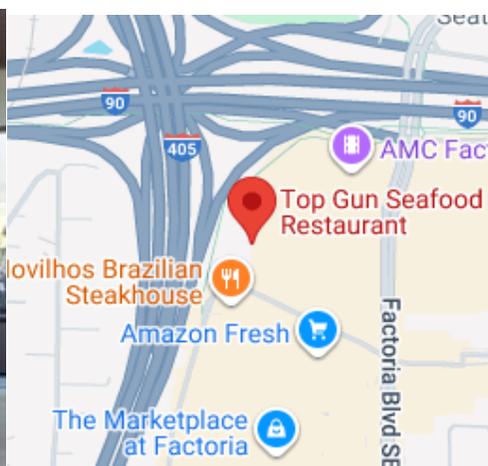
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### CHAPTER 35 MEETING

**Date:** Thursday, October 9, 2025  
**Time:** 11:00 AM  
**Location:** Top Gun Seafood Restaurant  
Private Dining Room to the right of main room  
12450 SE 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Bellevue, WA  
(Behind Post Office across from Factoria Mall)



Please come to the Chapter 35 Membership Meeting and “New Member Welcome” on Thursday **October 9** at **11:00 a.m.**

### GREETINGS TO ALL!

We hope you are enjoying a happy fall season. Our next Chapter 35 meeting is around the corner! This invitation is from the President and Executive Board. We're holding an Eastside meeting for all Chapter 35 members, with a special invitation to PERS 2 and PERS 3 members. Lunch is on us! (bring a PERS retiree as a guest and we will pay for their meal if they join RPEC).

The meeting will be on **THURSDAY OCTOBER 9, 2025**, at Top Gun Seafood Restaurant. Join us for a family-style meal and good company. The Chapter will provide a selection of pre-ordered Chinese dishes and non-alcoholic drinks. Our guest will be Matt Groshong speaking about important issues concerning Medicare Advantage and Medicare Supplement-type health plans. Matt is chair of the RPEC Healthcare Work Group. We'll See you on October 9!

**\*Chapter 35 Executive leaders are:** Officers: President-Bill Ziegler, Vice-President-Linda Crane Nelsen, Secretary-Cory Nelsen, Treasurer-Linda Zigler. Board Members At-Large: Brad Berry, Jeff Craig, Anita Eakers, Neil Fujii, Kevin Kiernan, Andrea Torland, Robert Williams, Duane Wright, Charles Zigler.

## RPEC ADVOCACY

Thanks to the work of our professional team and volunteers during the last legislative session in Olympia, RPEC set a record for its efforts on behalf of the members. We actively engaged in issues ranging from the budget and health care to property tax exemptions and pension benefits (for a complete list, go to [rpecwa.org](http://rpecwa.org) and see "End of 2025 Session Report"). At our last meeting, we hosted two state legislators from the North King County area who provided more details and answered questions. Thanks also to our chapter members who have gone to the website to take part in committee meetings, work groups and educational workshops.

\*RPEC Website - Member Access:

(1) Go to <https://rpecwa.org>/ (2) Click on <https://rpecwa.org/register/> (3) Enter your email and set a password and **submit**. Remember your email and password!

## MORE ABOUT OUR PENSIONS

Washington State pensions are managed by the Department of Retirement Systems (**DRS**), and DRS now has a new director, Kathryn Leathers. There will be a virtual educational program just for RPEC members with Kathryn on **Monday, October 20**, from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. registration is required at: <https://rpecwa.org/virtual-member-education-program-with-drs/>.

## RPEC CALENDAR

### **Upcoming Events:**

*Please refer to our calendar page for more information for each event, including links to Zoom*

- Sept. 25 – Membership Committee meeting (10:00 am)
- Sept. 25 – Healthcare Workgroup (3:30)
- Sept. 26 – PEBB Open Enrollment Webinar (10:00 am)
- Oct. 3 – Legislative Update Call (2:00 pm)
- Oct. 9 – Healthcare Workgroup (3:30 pm)
- Oct. 10 – Legislative Committee meeting (10:00 am)
- Oct. 13 – Finance Committee meeting (10:00 am)
- Oct. 16 – Senior Lobby Fall Conference (9:00 am)
- Oct. 17 – Executive Board Strategic Plan Work Session (10:00 am)
- Oct. 20 – Virtual Education Program with DRS (10:00 am)
- Oct. 21 – Select Committee on Pension Policy
- Oct. 23 – Healthcare Workgroup (3:30 pm)

Visit [www.rpecwa.org](http://www.rpecwa.org) for a full calendar of Council Office and chapter meetings.