

Idaho Technology Council announces leadership changes

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The Idaho Technology Council (ITC), which is celebrating its 10-year anniversary, has changed some of its leadership.

The organization added Amy Lientz, director of stakeholder & education partnerships for Idaho National Laboratory, and Paris Cole, CEO of Truckstop.com, as co-vice chairs to the Executive Committee. In addition, David Pattee, audit managing director of Deloitte, will join the committee as the new treasurer, and Christopher Simboli, of counsel at Parsons Behle & Latimer, will serve as the new secretary. Von Hansen, executive chairman of KONEXUS and chairman of the ITC, will remain through 2019.

Previous treasurer Marcus McDonald, senior vice president and chief financial officer for United Heritage Insurance, and secretary Dana Herberholz, a registered patent attorney for Parsons Behle & Latimer, will remain on the Executive Committee.

Previous vice chair Alden Sutherland, vice president and chief information security officer of AmerisourceBergen, will be taking an active role in the structuring of ITC's Computing Technologies Alliance, formerly the Software Alliance, the Boise-based nonprofit organization said.

The mission of Computing Technologies Alliance is to improve the quality and quantity of the computing technologies professionals in Idaho, with the goal of growing skills, attracting and retaining talent in Idaho, retaining employees, and working with the K-Career team, said Christina Slaughter, project manager. The organization is planning networking meetings and presentations such as Tech2Market.

Other initiatives include working with the Idaho Digital Learning Academy; science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education; school boards; career technical education and industry partners on initiatives such as HB 648, a bill that requires computer science courses be available to students. The ITC puts out an [annual Deal Flow report](#) tracking investment in Idaho companies, and the [Knowledge Report](#), which tracks the effect of the technology industry in Idaho.



Paris Cole, seated right, CEO of Truckstop.com, participated in the recent Idaho Technology Council Capital Connect Conference. Photo by Sharon Fisher.



Amy Lientz