Agriculture and Horticulture Advisory Committee Everett High School Floriculture/Horticulture Classroom November 13, 2007 - 3 - 4:30 p.m.

### **Attending Members:**

Teachers-John Romann, Tammy Price Community Members-Dee Drake, Linda Auchterlonie CTE Dept-Lauren Hadley

#### Math-how do you use math in your job?

Dee (greenhouse)-chemical application, sowing a crop-length of time, potting benchesnumber of flats/number of packs/number of plants.

Linda (floral)-profit/loss, mark-up (making arrangements with the correct amount of product in them & pricing items in the store)

John (Hort Teacher)-geometry, volume, square feet, graphing

Tammy (Floral Teacher)-writing a proposal for special orders, weddings, corporate, interior plantscaping, etc., size of arrangement to it's environment for proper scale.

### **Updates from the Industry**

Horticulture-endangered species focus, salmon habitats important, collapse of the bee colonies, Hobo spider being researched more, is it good/bad, Alpine plants, Native Plants are important to the area-less H2O, less fertilizer, less overall care.

# Additional advisory member from the hort industry

Possibilities: a horticulturist from the city of Everett, Salvadorian in Snohomish, WSU extension.

# What would you expect a new hire to be able to do?

Linda (floral)-water plants correctly, basic design (good stem placement), make a bow, pricing of arrangements, care & handling of cut flowers (processing), computer skills.

Dee (greenhouse)-watering of plants, weeding (id them from regular plants), transplanting, propagation, plant ID.

#### **OTHER**

John (Hort Teacher) Cascade students to work with Episcopal Church across from school to create & maintain a "Pea Patch" to grow vegetables for homeless.

Tammy (Floral Teacher) Advanced students will go to Legion Park to make evergreen wreaths in December.

Both teachers shared a brief overview of their curriculum.