

Hello Fellow BLN Retirees.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Curtis Benner as our new communication/membership chair on our BLN Retiree Board. The following is a brief summary of his accomplishments while at Boeing. Please join me in welcoming him to our retiree group and to our board.



Curtis Benner

Curtis graduated from Washington State University in 1979 with a degree in Mathematics and started with Boeing right after graduation in the information technology organization supporting Boeing Commercial Airplanes. For 12 years he was a part of a systems engineering team in information technology supporting a number of technologies supporting engineering design for commercial programs. During this time he also obtained a Master's degree in Physics from the University of Washington. In 1991 he was promoted into management in the information technology organization leading teams that developed software for data management of engineering computer aided design data, tooling designs, and electrical designs.

After 20 years in information technology he accepted a management position in Phantom Works/Boeing Research and Technology (BR&T) to lead a research and development program defining and executing projects to reduce cost, reduce cycle time, and improve quality for engineering and manufacturing design for Boeing programs across the enterprise. After four years in that position he was promoted to a senior manager program management position managing multiple Boeing Research and Technology teams developing various engineering and manufacturing technologies for the Boeing Enterprise.

After 11 years in BR&T his team was moved into the Information Technology organization. For three years he led the Product Systems Technology Office which worked with teams across Information Technology to identify, investigate, and recommend to management new technologies to leverage in Product Systems. After reorganization that team was disbanded and he was asked to manage a group that supported and enhanced the Define and Control Airplane Configuration (DCAC) Product Data Management system and a number of smaller configuration management applications.

BLNR Executive Liaison
Ron VanHoy