## HHS Hosts First Advanced Business Procedures Networking Social Northeast Oregon Now

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A diverse array of community members took part in Hermiston High School's first annual Advanced Business Procedures Networking Social on Monday. (Photo courtesy of Hermiston School District)

Hermiston High School held its first annual Advanced Business Procedures (ABP) Networking Social at the Next Chapter Book Store and ended the event at the Maxwell Event Space on Monday.

The event saw diverse community members, including notable figures such as State Rep. Greg Smith.

This event was a platform to foster connections between Hermiston's ABP students and local community advocates. It provided a space for discussions about community challenges and opportunities, offering students personal expertise so they could apply it to their future endeavors.

Comprised of senior students from various business classes, including finance, marketing, hospitality, and business administration, the ABP class is

responsible for managing five student-run businesses within the school. Their efforts throughout their final academic year not only generated profits used for scholarships but also funded further investments into the business and management program. Recently, their increased earnings have enabled the provision of professional attire for students entering the workforce.

"It is a one-of-a-kind opportunity to talk to such important and successful community members," said Ainsley Philippi, a senior in the ABP class. "I think speaking to them was a good reminder to surround yourself with successful people if you want to be successful."

"Our city is uniquely blessed with hospitable, skilled individuals, and we must keep fostering opportunities for our senior students to engage professionally within our community," said Roger Berger, CTE coordinator at Hermiston High School. "As they prepare to graduate, these seniors are the backbone of the future, and they require continuous support and guidance to realize their full potential."