



WSACE Board of Director's Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2023

4:30PM

Attendees

- Scott Yaeger (Adams) – President
- Doug McCormick (Snohomish) – President-Elect
- Tony Garcia Morales (Walla Walla) – Secretary/Treasurer
- Susan Eugenis (Cowlitz) – Western District Representative
- Craig Erdman (Franklin) – Eastern District Representative
- Drew Woods (CRAB) – CRAB Deputy Director
- Matt Pietrusiewicz (Yakima) – NACE Director-at-Large
- Leticia Neal (Pierce) – Past President
- Mark Storey (Whitman) – Past President
- Josh Thomson (Okanogan) – Past President
- Axel Swanson – WSACE Managing Director

1. **Call to order** Scott Yaeger, President
Meeting called to order at 4:45 PM
Quorum, 6 of 7 present (5 Board members needed to constitute a quorum)

2. **Approval of October Minutes** Scott Yaeger, President
Craig E. moved and Matt P. seconded. Minutes were approved.

3. **Public Comment** Scott Yaeger, President
No members of the public were present.

4. **Conference updates** Axel/Scott/Jessica
 - County Leaders
 - Conference going as planned.

 - Professional Development
 - 1st week of February in Leavenworth
 - Draft Agenda topics include:
 - HR/Risk Management
 - Law School for Public Works
 - Public Works Finance 101
 - Effective Communications
 - Supervisory - Hiring/Retention

- Annual Conference
 - June 25-27 in Ritzville
 - Finalizing lodging
 - Legion Hall a Potential conference venue
 - Golf and other activities are being planned.
 - Draft Agenda topics include:
 - Asset management
 - Financial Management
 - More draft agenda topics are being planned.

5. **Legislative Priorities** Axel Swanson

- Axel provided a recap of our current priorities. Direction

6. **Managing Director's update** Axel Swanson
Information/Direction

- Financial Update
 - A financial update will be provided at our December Board meeting.
- Opposition to Heavier Trucks Letter Direction
 - Board decided to table letter for right now.
- OACES Leadership Retreat Proposal Direction
 - Doug M. moved. Craig E. Seconded. Motioned passed to authorize Axel to move forward with the Draft Proposal provided by the Oregon Association of County Engineers and Surveyors (OACES)
 - Dates: March 2024
 - Venue: Best Western Hood River
 - Approx. Cost: \$545.40/person based on 10 people attending from WSACE (for a 1.5-day retreat)
- Study Projects/Work Groups Information/Direction
 - Axel provided an update and plan moving forward.

7. **Round Table** Board Members

- No roundtable comments.

8. **Adjourn** Scott Yaeger, President

- Craig E. moved. Matt P. seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM