



WSACE Board of Director's Meeting

December 17, 2025

2:30PM

Attendees

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

1. Call to Order

Susan Eugenis, President

Craig called the meeting to order at 2:31

2. Approval of November Minutes

Susan Eugenis, President

Josh motioned, Matt U. 2nd. Minutes approved.

3. Public Comment

Susan Eugenis, President

None

4. WSACE – OACES Leadership Meeting Update

Axel/Jessica

Meeting will be held in Astoria, March 23-24th.

5. Conference Planning

Jessica/Board Members

February Professional Development Conference

Everything is lined up and ready to go. The agenda was reviewed and pretty much finalized. There are concerns about weather conditions and accessibility to Leavenworth. Those issues will be addressed when the time comes and if necessary.

Annual Conference

The venue is reserved and agenda is coming together. Discussed a day trip to Mt. St. Helens to explore various infrastructure deployments in response to the 1980 eruption. This idea was well received.

6. Managing Director's Report
Gas Tax Update

Axel Swanson
Axel/Drew

Nothing new. We are planning on meeting with members of the legislature to discuss our concerns.

Legislative Update

Still focused on funding. We anticipate WSDOT to focus on preservation funding and want to ensure we are part of the conversation. Funding for repair and recovery from recent storm damage will also be a prevalent topic. Pursuing and securing funding for the new County Local Road program is still on track.

Study Contracts

Nothing new.

WSAC MOU

Now that the "dust has settled" from the recent changes in leadership at WSAC we determined it was time to earnestly revisit the terms and execution of the MOU between WSAC and WSACE. Forming a subcommittee within our organization to more acutely address this may happen soon.

7. Round Table

Board Members

Interesting discussions were held about the following subjects:

- Traffic/Pedestrian safety
- Ecology/WSDFW rules regarding ferry terminals
- Small Business Enterprises guidance from Local Programs
- Private culvert repairs/replacement. Who pays for them?
- Flood stories from the past 10 days.

8. Adjourn

Susan Eugenis, President

Meeting adjourned 3:36pm