



WACO Board of Trustees Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, September 30, 2025  
7016 W Grandridge Blvd  
Kennewick, WA 99336

## Final Minutes

Tuesday, September 30, 2025

### Board Members Present:

Amy Cziske	President	Kittitas	Treasurer
Linda Hjelle	Vice-President	Snohomish	Assessor
Paul Budrow	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-President	Okanogan	Sheriff
Danny Hagen	Secretary/Treasurer	Skagit	Assessor
Adam Kick	Immediate Past-President	Skamania	Prosecutor
Dan Lindgren	Assessors' Trustee	Grays Harbor	Assessor
Thad Duvall	Auditors' Trustee	Douglas	Auditor
Scott Tinney	Clerks' Trustee	Lewis	Clerk
Craig Morrison	Coroners Trustee	Grant	Coroner
Jon Tunheim	Prosecutors' Trustee	Thurston	Prosecutor
Tereasa Summers	Treasurers' Trustee	Garfield	Treasurer
John Wilson	Trustee at Large Position 1	King	Assessor
Tom Konis	Trustee at Large Position 2	Spokane	Assessor
Katie Sloan	Trustee at Large Position 5	Adams	Clerk

### Staff Present:

Jennifer Wallace	Executive Director
Timothy Grisham	Deputy Director
Tiffin Moreno	Finance and Administration Manager
Cella Hyde	Member Services Manager

### 1) Call to Order, Roll Call, Approval of Minutes

Amy Cziske, President called the meeting to order at 8:31 am. Jeff Gadman, Past-President/Trustee at Large Position 3 and Rob Snaza, Sheriffs' Trustee were noted as absent.

Paul Budrow, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President **MOVED** to approve the Tuesday, September 30, 2025 agenda Linda Hjelle, Vice-President **SECONDED**. The **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Budrow **MOVED** to approve Wednesday, July 23, 2025 Board of Trustees meeting minutes with the correction noting the title Chair of the Personnel Committee. Thad Duvall, Auditors' Trustee **SECONDED**. The **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

## **2) 2025 WACO Priority Legislative Proposals**

Jennifer Wallace, WACO Executive Director presented the legislative committee members who will be providing background to the 2025 WACO priority legislative proposals.

Tom Konis, Trustee at Large Position 2 presented the Assessors' proposals.

Linda Farmer, Pierce County Auditor presented the Auditors' proposals.

Catherine Cornwall, King County Clerk presented the Clerks' proposals.

Annie Pillers, Whitman County Coroner presented the Coroners' proposal.

Jackie Brunson, Skagit County Treasurer presented the Treasurers' proposals.

The board discussed renewable energy issues across Washington.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Budrow **MOVED** to support the priority proposals as presented. Adam Kick, Immediate Past-President **SECONDED**. The **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

*The Board went on **BREAK** at 9:05 am and **RECONVENED** at 9:21 am.*

## **3) Committee Reports**

### **a. Audit Committee**

Danny Hagen, Secretary/Treasurer presented the Audit Committee report. Discussed potential expansion of committee roster. No financial issues noted. Discussed the outside audit.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Budrow **MOVED** to accept the outside audit as presented. John Wilson, Trustee at Large Position 1 **SECONDED**. The **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

### **b. Legislative Committee**

Vice-President Hjelle presented the Legislative Committee report. Discussed the 2026 legislative session outlook. Discussed fiscal issues and financial shifts from state to county government.

**c. Education Committee**

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Budrow presented the Education Committee report.

**d. Conference Committee**

President Cziske presented Conference Committee report.

**a. Nominating Committee**

Jon Tunheim, Prosecutor's Trustee presented Nominating Committee report. Discussed the need for nominations for Secretary/Treasurer as well as the election process during the membership meeting.

**4) Affiliate and Trustee at Large Updates**

**a. Affiliate Updates**

Dan Lindgren, Assessors' Trustee provided the Assessors' update. Discussed change of value and appeals workload impacts in fall. Discussed priority legislation considerations.

Trustee Duvall provided the Auditors' update. Discussed licensing fee increases, real-estate property fraud, sales tax impacts on counties, and overtime reimbursement issues. Discussed potential for violence due to elections environment.

Scott Tinney, Clerks Trustee provided the Clerks update. Discussed legislative priority considerations, court rules changes, and impacts on courthouse finances.

Trustee Tunheim provided the Prosecutors' update. Discussed statewide workload study, county budget considerations due to decrease in caseload limits for public defense, and the criminal victim penalty assessment work with the legislature.

Tereasa Summers, Treasurers' Trustee provided the Treasurers' update. Discussed clean energy tax rebate impacts on small counties.

**b. Trustee at Large Updates**

Tom Konis, Trustee at Large Position 2 provided the county category 2 update. Discussed changes to the elected officials in Spokane County.

The Board discussed budget issues due to caseload impacts, lack of state funding, and issues regarding continuity of operations.

**5) Staff Reports**

**a. Executive Director**

Jennifer Wallace, Executive Director presented the Executive Director report. Discussed the WACO scholarship funding. Discussed county visits and the push to urge members to meet together. Discussed potential resources and dynamics for visits and post-visit continued meetings.

**b. Deputy Director**

Timothy Grisham, Deputy Director presented the Deputy Director's report. Discussed scholarship recipients, county visits, and issues being considered going into the legislative session.

**c. Member Services Report**

Executive Director Wallace presented the Member Services Report.

**d. Finance and Administration Report**

Tiffin Moreno, Finance and Administration Manager presented the Finance and Administration Manager's Report. Discussed changes in banking providers.

*The Board **ADJOURNED** the regular meeting at 10:30 am.*