

## **CAC MEETING MINUTES**

**February 11, 2025**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Jones.

Members Present: Doris Brevoort, Ray Bock, BJ Carol, Louise Edens, Robin Gosney, Madeline Handzlik, Chris and Judy Jones, Daniel Kihangu, Monette Partin, Dick Phillips, Irene Procuski, and Dave Stevens.

With no additions or corrections to the January minutes, a motion was brought forward by dave and seconded by Chris to approve them. Motion carried.

Our guest speaker consultants, Sam Zimbabwe, Hailey Brey, and James Gamez, from Kimley Horn Associates, gave us the latest update on current LRTP development underway, fielding several questions from the membership.

Today's meeting recording is on the transit web site, and for those not online, Cheryl, Alan, or Crystle with Skagit Transit can be contacted for current information and to answer questions.

Cheryl states in the staff report that the agency received a 19.5 million dollar grant from the US Department Of Transportation, and keeping watch for its disbursal.

CHERYL also states for the ridership report in the month of January, fixed route experienced 41825 riders, with para transit showing 6337.

Cheryl is still looking at June for our educational trip to the historic Job Corps site. More to come.

BJ and Cheryl will be hosting a Transit Day in La Conner, with the theme of "Trips And Tips."  
CHERYL then gave an overview of current events attended, representing the agency.

Their was nothing to report regarding connector trip activity.

For the round table discussion, Dave noted that the bench serving a former bus stop near his home has been removed.

Judy then gave a brief state legislative report on HB1418, sponsored by Disability Rights Of Washington, having several co-sponsors, with Representative Joe Timmons presenting at the January hearing. This bill proposes two community voting members serve on transit boards, covered under the PTBA (Public Transit Benefit Area). According to the bill, one person should represent ridership, and the other should represent a community agency serving ridership and mass transit. Successful precedent has already been set by Intercity Transit years ago. This bill has passed the House and is on its way to the Senate committee. Stay tuned.

With no further business, it was moved by Dave and seconded by Chris the meeting be adjourned.

Next meeting, March 11.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Jones

CAC Chair