

United Way of Whatcom County
Executive Committee
January 16, 2025 – 4:00 pm
Video Conference Call Meeting

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Review Previous Meeting Minutes
3. Updates from President/CEO
4. Review Draft January 2025 Board Meeting Agenda
5. Other Business

Attachments:

- Minutes from the previous meeting
- DRAFT January 2025 Board Meeting Agenda

United Way of Whatcom County
Executive Committee Meeting
Video Conference Call
November 21, 2024 – 4:00 PM

DRAFT – Meeting Minutes

Committee Attendees: Natalie Boatman (Chair), Doug Montgomery, Jason Sears

Staff/Other Attendees: Kristi Birkeland (President/CEO), Mike Weinstein

Did Not Attend: None

1. Welcome

Natalie Boatman, Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 3:55 PM.

2. Review Previous Meeting Minutes

Boatman asked all present to review the October 17, 2024, meeting minutes. The following corrections were noted:

- “WECE” should be “WECU”.

No additional corrections were offered.

MSA: Boatman/Montgomery: Approve October 2024 minutes with noted correction. Motion passed.

3. Board Nomination

Spencer Palmer was recommended to join the United Way of Whatcom County (UWWC) Board of Directors. Palmer has met with UWWC leadership and accepted the nomination. The Nomination Form and Board Membership Questionnaire are included in the meeting packet

MSA Montgomery/Sears: Support nomination of Spencer Palmer and present election to the United Way of Whatcom County Board of Directors via electronic vote.

4. ALICE@Work

As a follow up to the presentation during the October 2024 Board of Directors meeting, Birkeland summarized the program in a memo and will share those details as a refresher before the January 2025 Board meeting when the proposal will be presented for funding approval.

5. Updates from President/CEO

United Way of the Pacific Northwest has invited UWWC to participate in a new federal grant opportunity that will fund community college training to work on electric trucks. If the grant is approved UWPNW will manage the grant details and UWWC would partner with Bellingham Technical College. More details should be available in early 2025.

Health and Community Services is exploring the viability to bring back Project Homeless Connect. The representative that contacted UWWC has just started the inquiry, no additional details at this time.

The Community Impact Committee will meet at the beginning of the year for the 2025 Community Impact grant making process. The common application with the City of Bellingham and Whatcom

County Government will be posted to the UWWC website soon with a due date for applications by mid-January 2025.

6. Other Business

No other business was presented for discussion.

The next meeting will be on December 19, 2024, at 4:00 PM immediately following the Finance meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 PM.

United Way of Whatcom County
Board of Directors Meeting
 January 23, 2025 – 3:00 PM
 In-Person at United Way of Whatcom County

DRAFT Agenda

Agenda Item	Type	In Packet	Presenter	Time	Mins
1. Welcome and Call to Order			Natalie Boatman	3:00	5
2. Mission Moment – Brigid Collins House	Discussion	No	Melissa Pickel	3:05	15
3. Childcare Update	Discussion	No	Meredith Hayes	3:20	15
4. Grant Process Update	Discussion	Yes	UWWC Staff	3:35	10
5. Fund Development Team Update	Discussion	No	LaVonne Olsen Patricia Boyce	3:45	10
6. 2024-25 Campaign Update	Discussion	No	UWWC Staff	3:55	10
7. ALICE @ Work	Proposal	Yes	Executive Committee	4:05	10
➤ Motion to “Approve up to \$15K to launch an ALICE@work cohort in 2025”					
8. DEI Update	Discussion	No	UWWC Staff	4:15	10
9. Consent Agenda	Proposal	Yes	Natalie Boatman	4:25	1
➤ Motion to “Approve the January 2025 Consent Agenda as presented.”					
10. Other Business					
• Board Member Update					
• Board Retreat update					
• June Board meeting: New date					
• Next Board meeting will be virtual on Thursday, April 24, 2025 from 3:00 – 4:30 PM					

Attachments:

- ALICE@work MEMO
- Grant Process Summary
- ALICE talking points? Thinking about including these and adding this convo into the agenda

Consent Agenda:

- Minutes
- MEMO New Board Member Election
- October 2024 Financial Summary
- November 2024 Financial Summary
- December 2024 Financial Summary