

United Way of Whatcom County  
Board of Directors Meeting  
October 23, 2025 – 3:00pm

**Consent Agenda**

The following are the items determined to be appropriate Consent Agenda items. As a refresher, Consent Agenda items are routine, standard, non-controversial and/or self-explanatory items that should not need discussion during the Board meeting.

Should you have any questions about these items please contact Natalie Boatman, Board Chair, **before** the Board meeting. If, after receiving the explanation, you feel that an item needs more discussion, please remember that any item can be pulled off the Consent Agenda for discussion by any Board member for any reason.

**Consent Agenda Items:**

1. September 18, 2025 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
  - Action: Approve the September 2025 Minutes as attached.

United Way of Whatcom County  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
Whatcom Center for Philanthropy  
September 18, 2025 – 3:00 PM

**DRAFT – Meeting Minutes**

Board Attendees:

John Ayre, Natalie Boatman, Lisa Lindsey, Doug Montgomery (Vice Chair), LaVonne Olsen, Spencer Palmer, Jason Sears

Other Attendees:

Kristi Birkeland, Patricia Boyce, Denise Kilcline, Rebecca Ricks, Mike Weinstein

Not Present:

Adrienne Czebator, Heather Dyer

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Natalie Boatman, Board Chair, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 3:04 PM.

2. Mission Moment

Denise Kilcline shared some positive responses and results from a recent Dolly Parton Imagination Library (DPIL) survey conducted by the Dollywood Foundation. Kilcline continues to oversee the book return process to update recipient information and confirming if undeliverable books can be donated to programs in the community.

3. FY 2025 Campaign Results

Birkeland shared that the total revenue for the FY 2025 Campaign was up compared to the previous year. While the total for workplace pledges was down, one-time giving and recurring giving was up. Additionally, donations and sponsorships from events the Fund Development Committee and UWWC staff organized offer an additional revenue stream that UWWC can continue to grow in FY 2026.

4. FY 2025 Audit

Greenwood Ohlund is conducting the audit again this year. All items requested have been submitted and Greenwood is in the process of reviewing. The goal is for the final audit presentation to take place during the October 2025 board meeting.

5. FY 2026 Campaign Launch

The 2026 Campaign has begun and UWWC staff has been out at bp Cherry Point for various events and the team anticipates October and November to be very busy. UWWC is excited to share the updated ALICE information and campaign materials with the community. More information about a fall event like last year's breakfast will be shared soon.

Lisa Lindsey joined the meeting at 3:34 PM.

6. Fall 2025 Tastiest Taco Event

The event will run from September 30<sup>th</sup> through October 28<sup>th</sup>. Booklets are being sold for \$30 each or two for \$50. In addition to the posters around the city, KGMI will be playing an advertisement and Bellingham Real Estate Company is partnering with UWWC again to donate video ads for social media.

7. Fund Development Committee Update

The Fund Development Committee is exploring event options for the upcoming campaign year. In addition to the potential for another cornhole tournament, the committee will be considering a golf tournament in 2026. Two former board members have also reached out to UWWC staff to discuss hosting a pickleball tournament for UWWC. More details to come.

Beach Cat Brewing is hosting a Dolly Night at their South Paw location every third Wednesday of the month from 4:00 – 6:00 PM. Beach Cat is donating \$1 per beverage sold during the event to DPIL.

UWWC has been selected for another year as the beneficiary of Kulshan Brewing's Holiday Makers Market on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup>.

8. Consent Agenda

Boatman confirmed all in attendance reviewed the Consent Agenda. No corrections offered.

**MSA: Boatman/Olsen: Approve the September 2025 Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed.**

9. Other Business

UWWC thanked Doug Montgomery for his service on the board of directors. The September 2025 meeting is his last.

The next board meeting will be in-person meeting on October 23, 2025, from 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM.

No other business was presented for discussion.

Boatman adjourned the meeting at 3:55 PM.