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SCA Board of Directors

Minutes

January 19, 2022

10 AM - Noon

1) Call to order

SCA President Angela Birney called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM. President Birney noted that the meeting was being held virtually due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, and noted that any discussion in the chat logs would be maintained for public records purposes and included with the meeting minutes ([Attachment A](#)). Present via Zoom were members Ed Prince, De'Sean Quinn, James McNeal, Jan Molinaro, Amy Ockerlander, Traci Buxton, and Carl Cole. Member Wendy Weiker joined the meeting at 10:05 AM during item 5. Member Mary Lou Pauly joined the meeting at 10:25 AM during item 7. Member Ed Prince exited the meeting at 10:29 after item 9. Member De'Sean Quinn exited the meeting at 11:53 AM during item 12. Absent from the meeting were members Jeff Wagner, Jim Ferrell, and Bill Boyce.

2) Public Comment

President Birney asked if there were any members of the public present for comment. Hearing none, this portion of the agenda was closed.

3) Consent Agenda

President Birney asked for any questions or concerns regarding the minutes of the January 19, 2022 SCA Board of Directors Meeting.

Molinaro moved, seconded by Prince to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the January 19, 2022 SCA Board of Directors Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

4) Member Check In

Members and staff briefly checked in with group about what they are looking forward to in the spring, round robin style. Due to scheduling, this item was moved to later in the agenda, after item 9.

5) President's Report

President Birney reported on meeting with King County Executive Dow Constantine. Discussion included topics related to COVID mandates, return to work policies, and county contracts. Birney also reported on strong mayors meeting. Discussion included legislative update and the concrete strike. Birney is working on drafting letter in her capacity of mayor on concrete strike that will request a return to negotiating. Birney will continue to update group.

6) Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Deanna Dawson summarized the February 16, 2022 SCA Board of Directors Executive Director's Report. ([Attachment B](#)) Dawson also noted discussions regarding return to work and work from home policies and encouraged members to share their respective cities' policies. Dawson encouraged members to continue to give feedback regarding format of future SCA meetings and events.

7) Treasurer's Report

As Treasurer Wagner was not present, SCA Executive Director reported that the 2022 Finance Committee will meet for the first time on February 22nd. Dawson updated members on Sponsorship and Member City Dues, noting sponsors invoiced and payments received; and outstanding member city dies invoices. SCA is on track to be on budget for income in 2022.

8) PIC Chair's Report

As PIC Chair Bill Boyce was not present, Executive Director Dawson and President Birney reported on the February 9, 2022 Public Issues Committee (PIC) Meeting ([Meeting Materials](#)). Due to members schedules, this item was moved to later in the agenda, after item 10.

a. Committee Appointments

Birney and Dawson reported on the recommendations from the PIC, as recommended by the PIC Nominating Committee.

Pauly moved, seconded by Ockerlander to divide the recommendations for approval to separate the recommendation for the Regional Transit Authority. The motion passed unanimously.

Pauly moved, seconded by Ockerlander to make the following appointments to Regional Boards and Committees:

- **Councilmember Jenne Alderks, Bothell, to fill a vacant alternate position on the Domestic Violence Initiative Regional Task Force;**
- **Councilmember Karen Howe, Sammamish, to fill a vacant alternate position on the Joint Recommendations Committee; and**
- **Councilmember Sarah Moore, Burien, to fill a vacant alternate position on the King County Flood Control District Advisory Committee**

The motion passed unanimously.

Pauly moved, seconded by Ockerlander to appoint Councilmember Kathy Hougardy, Tukwila, to fill a vacant alternate position on the Regional Transit Committee. The motion passed 7-0-1. Member Quinn abstained from the vote.

b. AWC Legislative Update

Dawson reported on discussions regarding missing middle housing bill (HB 1337), the ADU (accessory dwelling units) bill (HB 1660), and the bill related to police reform and justice reform (HB 1735). There have been conversations with Representative Jesse Johnson regarding HB 1735. Several SCA mayors

have stated in discussions that Representative Johnson has been responsive to concerns and that the HB 1735 is addressing those concerns.

HB 1337 is expected to come back in a future year. Members are encouraged to communicate with legislators in the meantime.

Dawson reported that not much has been shared from leadership regarding OPMA and when proclamations may be lifted. Staff will continue to update.

Member Quinn noted importance of discussions and questions regarding police reform and justice reform as bills are being formed and moved forward. Member Pauly reiterated importance of discussion and expressed concern with housing bills conflating “affordable” with “ability to build more,” noting have economists involved in conversations would be beneficial. Secretary McNeal noted problem of conflicting information regarding “missing middle” housing and hopes to be part of future conversations with legislators for the opportunity to give perspective from developer and construction industry. Member Weiker reported that Mercer Island is considering hiring a lobbyist. Member Buxton noted that conversations in past years included home ownership; current conversations are sometimes convoluted regarding whether they refer to building homes affordable for ownership or building units that are affordable to live in. President Birney reported that discussions will continue.

c. PSRC Regional Transportation Plan Update

Dawson briefly reviewed purpose of PSRC Regional Transportation Plan Update and asked members to review information contained in meeting packet, and review information with their councils. Outcomes will affect transportation planning in the future.

d. Regional Homelessness

This item was discussed under item 10.

e. Regional Wastewater Management

Dawson encouraged members to review memo included in meeting materials, specifically the Department of Ecology Nutrient General Permit, and to be sure cities are tracking. SCA staff welcomes questions and concerns and will continue to update members and board.

f. Upcoming Levies and Ballot Measures

Birney reminded members to communicate to SCA staff possible levies and ballot issues as they come up in respective cities. Dawson reported ongoing discussion about a possible housing bill and possible Climate bond in King County. Encouraged members to share questions and feedback that will be passed on to county staff and electeds. Buxton noted importance of taking implications to all SCA cities into account.

9) Equity and Inclusion Cabinet

Equity and Inclusion Cabinet Chair Ed Prince reported on the January 26, 2022 meeting. At the Cabinet meeting, members discussed the work of the cabinet in 2021 and potential avenues in 2022. Topics for discussion of potential 2022 avenues included: in-depth discussions on equity implications in the region;

welcoming of and training for new electeds; MELO; encouraging participation and bringing down barriers to participation; events including languages other than English; accessibility; sharing of projects and ideas; inclusive economic development; and community engagement. Dawson noted there will be a call for nominations for vacancies on the cabinet and encouraged member to share input on any prospective members.

10) Regional Homelessness Authority Update

President Birney briefly updated group on the Regional Homelessness Authority (KCRHA), noting that the annual budget has been approved and the Governing Board continues to meet every other month.

Birney also updated group on Health through Housing and impacts to SCA cities. Birney and other members of the KCRHA Governing Board—Mayor Nancy Backus, Auburn and Councilmember Ed Prince, Renton—will continue to bring concerns of SCA members to the meetings.

11) City Administrator’s Report

City Manager/Administrator Representative Carl Cole reported on the February 2022 City Manager/City Administrator meeting. Meeting included a legislative update presentation from Association of Washington Cities staff and an update and discussion on ARPA with MSRC staff and city panelists. Discussion at the meeting focused on ARPA implementation. Deanna sent email to board members with slides from the meeting and summary of the presentation. In the interest of time, this item was moved to earlier in the agenda, after before item 10.

12) Discussion Items

- a. 2022 SCA Board Retreat Debrief
 - i. Board Member Commitments
Members briefly checked in regarding individual 2022 commitments, as were discussed at the retreat, and also gave feedback on 2022 retreat and future retreats.
 - ii. Review 2022 Draft 2022 Board Agreement
This item and will be included on the next meeting of the board. The Executive Committee will review in the meantime.
 - iii. Equity and Inclusion
This item was not discussed and will be included on the next meeting of the board.

- b. Newly Elected Officials Welcome Event Debrief, Ideas for Future Engagement
This item was not discussed and will be included on the next meeting of the board.

- c. Update on 2022 Priorities
Dawson asked members to review 2022 priorities included in the meeting materials and continue to bring feedback on what is important to cities and region, to ensure SCA is focused on the right priorities for 2022.

- d. 2022 SCA Accomplishments
This item was not discussed and will be included on the next meeting of the board.

13) For the Good of the Order

Carl Cole asked an item pending before the County Council regarding funding to cities and unincorporated County. SCA Staff will continue to track and report back.

President Birney noted that a former Eastern Washington University student was MVP in the Super Bowl.

There were no other items for the good of the order.

14) Meeting was adjourned by President Birney at 12:00 PM.

February 16, 2022 SCA Board Meeting
Attachment A: Zoom Chat Log

10:00:11 From Amy Ockerlander to Hosts and panelists:
On the phone with my CA - may be a couple minutes late to discussion, but I'm here.

10:01:41 From De'Sean Quinn to Everyone:
El Centro De la Raza

10:03:12 From Ed Prince to Hosts and panelists:
Still in practice session

10:03:49 From Leah Willoughby, SCA to Everyone:
Thank you, Ed

10:10:50 From De'Sean Quinn to Everyone:
He is fantastic

10:24:27 From Mary Lou Pauly to Hosts and panelists:
Leah can you promote me?

10:52:16 From Carl Cole to Hosts and panelists:
HB1782 missing middle

10:56:34 From Jan Molinaro to Hosts and panelists:
Internet unstable where I am at.

11:09:50 From Carl Cole to Hosts and panelists:
<http://soundcities.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/February-9-2022-SCA-PIC-Packet.pdf>

11:14:40 From Mary Lou Pauly to Everyone:
Dana and I are joking about designing a cool t-shirt that says "Its AND, not OR!

11:15:12 From Angela Birney to Everyone:
we should make them and wear to meetings

11:52:17 From De'Sean Quinn to Everyone:
sorry I have to drop off

11:58:05 From Angela Birney to Everyone:
https://www.google.com/imgres?imgurl=https%3A%2F%2Fimagesvc.meredithcorp.io%2Fv3%2Fmm%2Fimage%3Furl%3Dhttps%253A%252F%252Fstatic.onecms.io%252Fwp-content%252Fuploads%252Fsites%252F20%252F2022%252F02%252F14%252FCooper-Kupp-2.jpg%26q%3D60&imgrefurl=https%3A%2F%2Fpeople.com%2Fsports%2Fsuper-bowl-2022-cooper-kupp-named-mvp-rams-bengals%2F&tbid=LkxgyR5ujcbcLM&vet=12ahUKEwjU5a_JgIX2AhUWLDQIHftCAmUQMygAegUIARDJAQ..i&docid=D7qgJbL14Un9IM&w=1500&h=1000&itg=1&q=cooper%20kupp%20mvp&ved=2ahUKEwjU5a_JgIX2AhUWLDQIHftCAmUQMygAegUIARDJAQ



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SCA Board of Directors Executive Director's Report February 16, 2022

TO: SCA Board of Directors

FROM: SCA Executive Director Deanna Dawson

RE: Monthly report for period January 19, 2022 - February 16, 2022

DATE: February 15, 2022

January was an extremely busy month from SCA! The year is off to a very strong start.

Two highlights were:

- **SCA Board Retreat**

- The SCA Board Retreat was held on January 28, 2022. Much of the month leading up to the event was spent in planning and preparing for the event. Andrew Ballard agreed to facilitate the retreat free of charge to SCA. Planning and preparation for the event were largely done internally. Many thanks are owed to Director of Finance and Administration Leah Willoughby for all her outstanding work behind the scenes. Kudos to President Angela Birney for her leadership and vision to bring the retreat together.

- **Virtual Reception for Newly Elected Officials**

- Also on January 28, 2022 we hosted a virtual reception for newly elected officials. The event was extremely well attended and well received, and puts us in a good place for building relationships with new elected officials moving forward. We plan to hold regular meetings with our newly elected officials in 2022.

Fundraising:

We are also off to a strong start on fundraising for 2022. More details can be found in our Board materials under the Treasurer's Report. Most cities have paid their 2022 dues. We anticipate that all 38 cities will renew for 2022. Many of our sponsors have also paid for 2022 already. We budgeted \$97,000 for sponsorship revenue in 2022. We have invoiced \$89,000 to date, and have received payment for \$45,500. In comparison, at this point last year we had only received \$18,750. We are on track to meet and exceed our revenue projections.

Since the last Board meeting, I have met with a number of current and potential sponsors including:

- Markham McIntyre, former Executive VP of Seattle Chamber

Workshops/Trainings/Briefings:

We are working on a number of educational and informative events for members including:

- Hosting twice monthly briefings with King County Public Health
 - This week I also arranged for our briefing to include an update from the Executive's Office on vaccine verification, and return to work policies
- We have scheduled a training with Ann Macfarlane of Jurassic Parliament for April 4, 2022
 - Ann has agreed to do the training free of charge to SCA

Other significant activities:

- I was asked to serve on the hiring committee to recruit the new CEO of Greater Seattle Partners (GSP) by SCA Partner Boeing. We interviewed numerous candidates and had several meetings to discuss the candidates. I am pleased to report the hire of [Brian Surratt as CEO of GSP](#). I have a strong working relationship with Brian, and believe that the hire will be good for our cities and the region.
- I was able to take some time at the end of January/beginning of February. I appreciate the Board's encouragement in doing so. Thanks are due to Director of Finance and Administration Leah Willoughby and Policy Director Brian Parry for holding down the fort in my absence.

Please let me know if you have any questions on any of these items, or on any other matters.