



## SCA Board of Directors

Minutes July 16, 2025

### Renton City Hall

#### 1) Call to Order

SCA President Buxton called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM. Present were members Armondo Pavone, Troy Linnell, Katherine Ross, Vanessa Kritzer, Thomas McLeod, Nigel Herbig, Dana Ralph; Amy Falcone; and Thomas McLeod, and SCA staff Robert Feldstein, Leah Willoughby, Aj Foltz, and Laura Belmont. Absent were members Mason Thompson; Regan and Bolli; and Chris Roberts.

#### 2) Public Comment

A written public comment was submitted by Joe A. Kunzler. A printed copy of the comment was provided to all Board members in advance of the meeting and is attached to these minutes. No verbal public comment was offered during the meeting.

#### 3) Consent Agenda

President Buxton asked for any questions or concerns regarding items on the consent agenda.

***Pavone moved, seconded by Linnell, to approve the consent agenda consisting of the minutes of the June 18, 2025 SCA Board of Directors Meeting and the Financial Reports of April 2025 and May 2025. The motion passed unanimously.***

#### 4) President's Report

SCA President Traci Buxton reported on progress of investigation. President Buxton will continue to update the Board as updates are available.

President Buxton reported on recent meetings, noting positive regional discussions.

#### 5) Executive Director's Report

SCA Executive Director Robert Feldstein reported on recent and upcoming meetings and events; potential upcoming legislative issues; work on building on value of SCA to members; and status of current staffing recruitment process.

#### 6) 2026 Member City Dues, Assessment Rate

SCA Chief Operating Officer Leah Willoughby provided a brief overview of the process by which member dues are assessed each year, per organizational bylaws, and presented the proposed 2026 Member City Dues. Following discussion, the board took the following action:

***McLeod moved, seconded by Pavone, to approve the 2026 assessment rate and proposed member dues to the membership at the SCA Annual Meeting, and direction to staff to circulate the recommended rate and dues to member cities. The motion passed unanimously.***

#### **7) Public Safety Roundtable**

SCA Executive Director gave background and summarized process for the Public Safety Roundtable, hosted by King County Executive Shannon Braddock. President Buxton led discussion to discuss applicants for the roundtable.

Following extensive discussion, the board took the following action:

***Pauly moved, seconded by Pavone, to appoint the following individuals to serve on the public safety roundtable hosted by the King County Executive:***

- ***Mayor Dana Ralph, Kent***
- ***Bristol Ellington, City Manager, Shoreline***
- ***Councilmember Neal Black, Kirkland***

***The motion passed unanimously.***

#### **8) Regional Staff Committees**

No action was taken on this item.

#### **9) Treasurer's Report**

As Treasurer Bolli was not able to be present for the meeting, SCA staff read a brief report provided by Bolli. SCA staff responded to member questions. Following discussion, the board took the following actions:

***Herbig moved, seconded by Pauly, to approve allocation of funds in the 2025 SCA Budget, as recommended by the SCA Finance Committee. The motion passed unanimously.***

***McLeod moved, seconded by Ralph, to direct SCA to reinvest the full amount of CD maturing in July 2025 into a new three-year CD with Time Value Investments, as recommended by the SCA Finance Committee. The motion passed unanimously.***

There were no other updates.

#### **10) PIC Chair's Report**

PIC Chair Chris Roberts briefly reported on the June 11, 2025 PIC Meeting. Topics included:

a. **Regional Boards and Committees Appointments**

Following discussion, the Board took the following action:

***Pavone moved, seconded by Pauly, to appoint the following individuals to SCA Regional Boards and Committees, as recommended by the Public Issues Committee:***

- ***Alex Andrade, Burien, as alternate to the Domestic Violence Initiative Task Force (DVI)***

- **Jessica Merizan, Carnation, as member to the Joint Recommendations Committee (JRC)**

***The motion passed unanimously.***

- b. King County Transportation District Sales Tax  
SCA Senior Policy Analyst Andie Parnell gave background and reported on PIC discussions regarding the King County Transportation District Sales Tax. Executive Director Robert Feldstein provided context on process for creation and approval process for actions items.

Board reviewed draft letter prepared by SCA staff with PIC input. Following discussion, the board took the following action:

***Pavone moved, seconded by Ralph, to approve the draft letter to the King County Transportation District (KCTD), as recommended by the SCA PIC, with noted amendments. ( [Attachment 1.a](#) ) The motion passed unanimously.***

- c. New Indigent Caseload Standards
- d. Updates and Informational Items

#### **11) Discussion Items/Updates**

- a. August 2025 Board of Directors Meeting

***Pauly moved, seconded by McLeod, to cancel the August 2025 SCA Board of Directors Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.***

- b. Ad Hoc Committee Recommendations Discussion  
This item will be brought back for discussion at a future meeting of the board.
- c. Future Sponsorships Discussion  
This item will continue to be discussed by the Finance Committee.

#### **12) Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Matter**

At 11:28 AM, President Buxton called to order a twenty minute executive session to discuss a personnel matter. The executive session was ended at 11:58 AM. There were no actions to report.

#### **13) The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM**