

CAC MEETING MINUTES

May 13, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Jones at 4:32pm.

Members Present:

Doris Brevoort, Ray Bock, Louise Edens, Robin Gosney, Chris and Judy Jones, Daniel Kihangu, John Norman, Monette Partin, Irene Prokuski, Valerie Rose, Dave Stevens, from Skagit Transit Cheryl Willis, Maleah Kuzminsky and Rogelio Conejo-Castro.

Public comment from Joe Kunzler regarding Skagit Transit's Long Range Transit Plan and concerns regarding proposed routes in Sedro Woolley that may adjust service away from the bus stop at E State Street and Bell Street. Mr. Kunzler also expressed interest in shelter installed at this stop.

It was moved by Doris Brevoort, seconded by Daniel Kihangu the April minutes be approved as submitted. Motion carried.

A motion was moved by Doris Brevoort, seconded by Dave Stevens that Madeline Handzlik be withdrawn from the CAC upon her request. Motion carried and recommendation will go to Skagit Transit Board of Directors, to approve the removal of Madeline Handzlik from the Community Advisory Committee.

The Week Without Driving campaign was introduced at the meeting by Chair Judy Jones. Elected officials are encouraged to give up their car keys for transportation either for a time, or for the week of September 29 – October 5. This campaign aims to motivate community members and decision-makers to understand how regional transportation plans impact the lives of those who live in the area and are transit-dependent.

Skagit Transit introduces a six-month bus pilot service on Guemes Island on June 2, 2025.

Committee members are asked to direct routing concerns to Skagit Transit's Customer Service office at custserv@skagittransit.org or call agent at 360-757-4433 to be entered into system.

Skagit Transit internal audit is reviewing a change in CAC member roles and responsibilities. Monthly route riding may be involved.

CAC educational outing timing is changing.

Judy Jones gave an update on HB1418, PTBA governing bodies, that would allow for two rider representatives to be voting board members. May 12, 2025 this permissive law was signed by Governor Ferguson. <https://lawfilesexternal.wa.gov/biennium/2025-26/Pdf/Bills/House%20Passed%20Legislature/1418-S.PL.pdf#page=1>

Maleah Kuzminsky gave a ridership update, showing monthly ridership figures. Cheryl Willis provided a summary of events that Skagit Transit is engaged in.

Committee report was given by Valerie Rose regarding the 80x coach differences between WTA and Skagit Transit. Dave Stevens noted at Skagit Station that the 204 bus schedule posting needs sign height adjustment to a lower level.

It was moved and seconded that the CAC meeting be adjourned by Dave Stevens and Valerie Rose.

Minutes approved 7/8/2025 Amendment: Skagit Transit expects to introduce an on-demand route pilot service for Guemes Island when the Guemes Island Ferry returns to service, following vessel haul-out.