

WSSRA HYBRID EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES

NOVEMBER 19, 2025

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***Note: Corrected February 10, 2026, and then approved.**

Call to Order – Dottie Stevens

Pledge of Allegiance – Dottie Stevens

President Dottie Stevens called the WSSRA Executive Board meeting to order at 9:00 am and led members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of Executive Board

Secretary Eileen Wascisin called the roll, showing the following were present:

2025-2026 EXECUTIVE BOARD

Members Present:

President Dottie Stevens

President-elect Lora Brabant

Past President Rita Figlenski

Secretary Eileen Wascisin

** Treasurer Eileen Preferment

* NW-1 District Representative Ken Harvey

NW-2 District Representative Robin Stroben

SW-3 District Representative Cathy Stordeur

SW-4 District Representative Ann Chenhall

* E-5 District Representative Shirlee Jellum

* E-6 District Representative Lanita Pomeroy

* E-7 District Representative Don Kackman

E-8 District Representative Ardith Eakin

Executive Director Peter Diedrick

Journal Editor Kristin Murphy

Historian Karen Keller

Guests: Emmett Mills

*Attended via Zoom

**Checked out early

Approval of Agenda – Dottie Stevens

Approval of the agenda was by unanimous consent.

Approval of WSSRA Executive Board Minutes

A discussion ensued regarding motions not followed as directed by an Executive Board motion. More attention needs to be given to a motion approved by the WSSRA Executive Board. The intent of a motion must be followed in the future.

Approval of August 27, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes

BD 20251119-01

On a motion by Ardith Eakin, it was **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the August 25, 2025, Executive Board Meeting Minutes as presented. **BD 20251119-01 unanimous consensus – with one abstaining.**

President's Report – Dottie Stevens gave the following report:

- Attended/Participated:
 - Goodwill Tour arranged by Executive Director Peter Diedrick to the Olympic Peninsula, SW-3, and SW-4, September 23-26, 2025.
 - SW-3 Coordinating Council discussed the upcoming Convention in June; Rejuvenation focus; thoughtful recognition of 80-year-olds with bouquets presented; met with Tina Underdahl and Sue Perez to discuss Convention and Unit Bylaws.
 - Rules and Resolutions Committee.
 - Scholarship Committee, where the committee developed an AI statement that could be added to the application process.
 - Other Meetings: WSSR Foundation, Finance, Mason County, Pierce County, Benton/Franklin, Health Committee, Retirement, PAC Treasurer, Convention Planning, District 8 - Columbia-Asotin-Pomeroy, and Columbia Basin (Moses Lake).
- Other:
 - Webinars:
 - HCA and PEBB
 - Weekly meetings by “call in” with Executive Director Peter Diedrick and, as needed, Legislative Coordinator Emmett Mills.

President Dottie Stevens' report was placed on file.

President-elect's Report – Lora Brabant gave the following report:

Attended/Participated in the following:

- ZOOM meetings with:
 - Coordinating Councils and Units: Pierce County SRA Board Bylaws, Benton Franklin SRA Board, Mason County unit meetings, Coordinating Council District 7, Spokane County SRA meeting
 - WSSR Foundation, WSSR PAC
 - WSSRA - Rules and Resolutions, Health and Scholarship Committees
 - Convention Planning
 - Webinars: PEBB, WA State Investments, WSSRA Pensions
- In-person unit, Coordinating Councils, or Executive Board meetings with
 - Clallam County meeting with three (3) legislators
 - Pierce County “Meeting ‘n Greet
 - CCSRA meeting with staff visitors – Tara, Debbie, and Michele

President-elect Lora Brabant's report continued

- Other types of meetings and communication with:
 - SW-3 Chair duties, Clallam County SRA Website Creation with Webmaster,
 - Clallam County officer dinner with Dottie Stevens and Peter Diedrick
 - Peninsula College Foundation yearly celebration
- Phone calls with:
 - President Dottie Stevens, Bruce Boyer, Office Staff
 - Tara on "Committee Time Commitments Form."
 - Willingness to Serve commitments
- Other items:
 - Alzheimer's guest speaker
 - State Convention – gifts, centerpieces, Celebration of Life, Staff pictures on web page, QR Codes

President-elect Lora Brabant's report was placed on file.

Immediate Past State President's Report – Rita Figlenski gave the following report:

- Correspondence with: Peter Diedrick, each office staff member; Peter Diedrick, Dottie Stevens, and Lora Brabant about the Awards Committee – only two (2) members. A member has since volunteered to fulfill the East position – Denise Perkins,
- Phone calls with: Past President Rita Requa; Unit 2 Chelan Douglas - Marie Buckner, Nancy Valeson
- Unit 15 OCSRA:
 - Attended meetings, exchanged emails with Okanogan Unit 15 Program Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, President, as well as its Luncheon Chef
 - District 6 Representative Lanita Pomeroy attended the luncheon
 - Special guest speaker: T. Lewis (Over the Hedge cartoons). He does all the illustrations and many animations. Well received.
 - Webinars: HCA/PEBB, WA State Investment Board online seminar presented by Government and Public Affairs Director, David Schumacher (117 employees manage 18 pension funds with approximately \$222 billion under their management).
 - Other: Proofreading

Immediate Past President Rita Figlenski's report was placed on file.

Secretary’s Report – Eileen Wascisin gave the following report:

- WSSRA Activities:
 - August 27 – presented Orientation including responsibilities and bylaws to all members of the Executive Board, took minutes, and had them sent to all members of the Board.
 - Rules and Resolutions Committee: attended three (3) meetings (so far), completed rough drafts with changes to Bylaws and Policies and Procedures to the committee for review. The committee will meet again on January 14 to finalize a presentation for the Board's consideration.
- Unit 30 – Clark County SRA
 - Attended Unit Board and prepared with Terry Nelson and Kathy Bounds Agendum for meetings and programs, took and distributed minutes.
 - Created and sent invitations to unit members to attend the December 4 luncheon featuring the Camas High School Choir at Cascadia Technical College.
 - Meeting monthly with CCSRA Board, with plans to finalize the last two member meetings of the year.

Secretary Eileen Wascisin’s report was placed on file.

Treasurer’s Report – Eileen Preferment presented the following financial information as of October 31, 2025.

Financial Statement

BALANCE SHEET (CASH BASIS)	
October 31, 2025	
Total Assets	\$ 2,810,290.87
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$2,810,290.87

Treasurer Eileen Preferment report continued

<u>PROFIT & LOSS YTD COMPARISON</u>		
	October 2025	July-October 2025
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Total Income	<u>\$ 148,571.31</u>	<u>\$ 321,328.03</u>
Gross Profit	\$ 148,571.31	\$ 321,328.03
Total Expense	<u>\$ 119,442.03</u>	<u>\$ 439,020.00</u>
Net Ordinary Income	\$ 29,129.28	\$ -117,691.97
Total Other Expense	\$ -41,587.57	\$ -201,406.39
Net Other Income	<u>\$ 41,587.57</u>	<u>\$ 201,406.39</u>
NET INCOME	<u>\$ 70,716.85</u>	<u>\$ 83,714.42</u>

<u>ANNUAL EXPENSE BUDGET 2025-2026</u>			
<u>Year to Date Spent</u>	<u>Total Budgeted</u>	<u>Remaining Budget</u>	<u>Percentage Spent</u>
\$ 439,020	\$1,428,600	\$ 989,580	31%

Treasurer Eileen Preferment’s report was placed on file.

Executive Director’s Report – Peter Diedrick gave the following report:

- Busy autumn with congratulations to Unit 30, with 49 attending their first meeting of the year.
- Executive Team met to prioritize unit and rejuvenation.
- All WSSRA state committees have met to discuss specific topics – matters that will be brought to the board via committee reports.
- Political operation continues with lobbying for permanent restoration of the Plan 1 COLA.
- Membership has been in a slight decline, but with recruiting season picking up, the trend is beginning to reverse.
 - Mini-grant related recruiting is back and in motion, with early results promising.
 - October blind mailing has had positive initial results. Efforts are aimed at pushing WSSRA back to 17,000 members.

Executive Director Peter Diedrick's report continued

- Travel season has been busy:
 - September – President Stevens and he completed a goodwill tour across the Olympic Peninsula, where they met with the following: SW-3 Coordinating Council, Unit 8 Kitsap, Grays Harbor-Pacific Unit 5 Board.
 - Additional visits included: Clarkston, Asotin, Pomeroy Unit 1, Columbia Basin Unit 4, Benton-Franklin Unit 8, Clark County Unit 30, Thurston County Unit 28, and Mason County Unit 14.
 - Successful rejuvenation meetings happened in SW King Unit 6 and Grays Harbor-Pacific Unit 5.
 - Several rejuvenation follow-ups and holiday parties are on the calendar for December and January.
 - Office staff have been attending and supporting other units and coordinating councils.
 - Attended most WSSRA state committees and special meetings over the past two months.
 - Topics included: WSSR Foundation fundraising, managing the financial investments, and updating Bylaws. Additional meetings are scheduled for January.

Select Committee on Pension Policy:

- Met each month and set the Plan 1 COLA recommendation for 2026 at the November 18 meeting. (This did not go as planned.)
 - Office of Attorney General and Ice-Miller PLLC, the state's federal tax counsel, both believe WSSRA's preferred COLA legislation is the better approach for the state to take.
 - Lobbying efforts will continue through March when the 2026 legislature adjourns.

Executive Director Peter Diedrick's report was placed on file.

Historian's Report – Karen Keller reported on the following:

- WSSRA activities
 - Continued to add to Dottie Steven's yearbook each month.
 - Assisted Clark County Unit 30 in finding new or pending retirees on districts' websites.
 - Mini Grant/staff meeting presentations
 - Rochester High School with Alan Burke
 - Attended SCPP meetings
- Unit 28 – Thurston County SRA
 - Maintained Unit 28 Facebook page each month.
 - Attended Unit 28 Thurston County Board meetings, luncheons, and annual picnic.
 - Designed and printed paper program for Unit 28 luncheons.

Historian Karen Keller's report continued

- Attended Coordinating Council SW-4.
- Wrote article(s) for Thurston County SRA newsletter.
- Mailed to Unit 28 members on the mini-grant application process and deadlines
- Began accepting applications for Unit 28 mini-grants.

Historian Karen Keller's report was placed on file.

Journal Editor Report Kristin Murphy orally reported the following:

- Next *Journal* deadline is December 5. This issue will be "January, February." It will arrive in mailboxes mid-January.
- Kristin Murphy reported ongoing challenges with the print vendor, who is a new account representative still in the learning phase. This inexperience has led to delays in the process.
- Reminder for board members, she does not need a *Journal* article/report as a district representative. However, if you are submitting on behalf of your specific unit, please go ahead and do so.
- Great job on pictures – she is doing counseling over email on how to take pictures – she asked members to remind units that when photos are sent, they are sent when sending.

WSSRA Foundation President's Report – Kay Anderson – no report submitted

President Dottie Stevens and President-elect Lora Brabant presented the WSSR Foundation's report. **(Correction from President Lora Brabant presented)**

- Overall – tremendous progress moving money into Vanguard accounts.
- Working with the Scholarship Committee.

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

NW-1 District Representative Ken Harvey reported the following:

- Attended the following:
 - NW-1 Coordinating Council meeting in Mount Vernon.
 - Emmett Mills was the guest speaker.
 - Only 15 members attended, compared to 30 members ten (10) years ago from four (4) units in this District.
 - Same 15 members have attended for the last three (3) years, with no new members attending.

NW-1 District Representative Ken Harvey's report continued

- Scholarships:
 - Sent out notifications to last year's scholarship readers as to whether they wanted to read again.
 - Compiling list for 2025-2026 readers. He hopes to obtain some new ones.
 - Contacted the NW-1 Scholarship Committee for their opinions on AI usage in applications.
 - Attended Scholarship Committee ZOOM meeting.
- Other
 - Directed someone from Lynden who was applying for a Sno-Isle 22 classroom grant to apply for Unit 32's grant.

NW-1 District Representative Ken Harvey's Report was placed on file.

NW-2 District Representative Robin Stroben reported the following:

- Attended the following:
 - East King Unit 16 summer picnic, at which legislators are invited. Roger Goodman (H-45) spoke. He is supportive of schools.
 - Southeast King Unit 19 Executive Board and planning meetings.
 - WSSRA Executive Board meeting in Lacey.
 - Rejuvenation meeting for Southwest King Unit 6. The group has not had a meeting since before COVID. Six members attended, with Joe Cail elected as President. The group did plan for the year and seemed enthusiastic.
 - Unit 20 Seattle luncheon. The topic was AI.
- Other:
 - Scholarships
 - Emailed Unit Presidents in her district regarding scholarship readers.
 - Sent Tara a list of Scholarship readers for NW-2.
 - WSSRA Scholarship meeting via ZOOM on October 29.
 - Continue to do bookwork as she serves as Treasurer and Membership Chair.

NW-2 District Representative Robin Stroben's report was placed on file.

SW-3 District Representative Cathy Stordeur reported the following:

- Attended in person or via ZOOM the following:
 - Port Angeles “Back to School Backpack” event and represented Clallam County SRA and WSSRA.
 - SW-3 Coordinating Council meetings in Silverdale and online.
 - Discussion item: the role of the Coordinating Council in preparing for the June 2026 Convention.
 - Members volunteered for all assignments and are already working on centerpieces and the Celebration of Life.
 - Retirement Committee meeting as Board liaison.
 - Pierce County Legislative Meet and Greet in Tacoma.
 - Four of the area’s State Representatives attended.
 - Panel discussion was excellent and enlightening, based on great questions from Emmett Mills.

SW-3 District Representative Cathy Stordeur's report continued

- Virtual Scholarship Committee Meeting, where the committee formulated a statement about wanting a candidate’s own voice rather than AI-generated responses on the application.
- Mason County (by ZOOM). State Senator Drew MacEwen and Representative Travis Couture were guest speakers.
- Sent important dates by email to Scholarship Reading readers.

SW-3 District Representative Cathy Stordeur’s report was placed on file.

SW-4 District Representative Ann Chenhall reported the following:

- Attended the following:
 - Executive Board meeting and training.
 - SCPP Committee meetings in person.
 - TCSRA Unit 28, Picnic, Board meetings, and general meetings.
 - SW-4 Coordinating Council in Napavine.
 - Clark County Unit meeting.
 - Aberdeen rejuvenation meeting

SW-4 District Representative Ann Chenhall's report continued

- Met with the following:
 - Gail Feagins to help transition into the role of District 4 Representative
 - Ron and Peter, the Convention Planning Committee for the Great Wolf Lodge in June 2026.
 - Scholarship meeting to discuss AI on applications and decision on wording in the Introduction to students.

SW-4 District Representative Ann Chenhall's report was placed on file.

E-5 District Representative Shirlee Jellum reported on the following:

- Attended the following:
 - E-5/E-6 Coordinating Council in Wenatchee, gave Board report; Health, Membership committees report; and Unit 10 reports.
 - Scholarship Committee meetings via ZOOM.
 - Unit 9 Executive Board meeting in Cle Elum.
- Other:
 - Secured Scholarship Readers for District 5
 - Plans to attend Unit 34 general meeting.

E-5 District Representative Shirlee Jellum's report was placed on file.

E-6 District Representative Lanita Pomeroy reported the following:

- Attended:
 - Executive Board meeting on August 27.
 - CBSRA Unit 4 Board meetings and luncheon.
 - E-5/E-6 Coordinating Council in Wenatchee.
 - OCSRA Unit 15 meeting, Omak, Washington.
 - Scholarship Committee ZOOM meeting.
- Requested:
 - Unit 15 meeting information from OCSRA President John LaGrou.
 - Unit 2 meeting information from Chelan/Douglas contact person, Sue Kane.

E-6 District Representative Lanita Pomeroy's report was placed on file.

E-7 District Representative Don Kackman reported the following:

- Attended:
 - SAREA Board meetings
 - SAREA Unit meetings
 - Whitman County Unit 33 Board meetings
 - E-7 Coordinating Council meetings (arranged and coordinated)
 - Scholarship meeting on AI
 - WSSRA Board meeting.
 - E-7 Coordinating Council (chair and coordinator)
 - Scholarship AI ZOOM meeting
- Other:
 - Advice to Unit 33 Treasurer
 - Spoke with the President, Sandra Ellersick, Unit 18, Newport Priest River
 - Organized Scholarship Selection Committee
 - Discussion on insurance costs

E-7 District Representative Don Kackman's report was placed on file.

E-8 District Representative Ardith Eakin reported the following:

- Attended:
 - WSSRA Executive Board meeting – Lacey
 - BFSRA Executive Board meetings
 - BFSRA Luncheon meetings
 - Unit 1 meeting – Lewiston
 - Noted that this was the first time meeting with the unit. Their year is going well and are no current concerns.
 - E-8 meeting - Dayton
 - Shared with participants about the August WSSRA meeting and asked if there were any concerns. Unit 31 is doing well in upping its membership numbers. Jim Davison keeps members informed of COLA issues.
 - Scholarship meetings.
 - Plan to attend:
 - BFSRA Executive Board meeting and luncheon.
 - WSSRA Scholarship Meeting in Lacey.

E-8 District Representative Ardith Eakin's report was placed on file.

Break at 10:55 am and the meeting resumed at 11:10 am.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

Awards – Sandy Grape – Rita reported orally that Denise Perkins from Chelan Douglas will be the East-side representative.

Rules and Resolutions – Derryl Finney reported the following:

- Committee met by ZOOM three times so far, meets again on January 14 to prepare a presentation of recommended Bylaw changes for the WSSRA Executive Board.
- Reviewed recommendations and comments referencing the current WSSRA Bylaws, Policies, and Procedures.

Rules and Resolutions Committee report placed on file.

Nominating and Review – Sharon Hoseley – no report submitted.

Scholarship – Shirlee Jellum reported that the committee met and developed an AI statement provided in her report, which was revised by the WSSRA Executive Board as follows:

AI USE IN APPLICATIONS

BD 20251119-02

On a motion by Cathy Stordeur, it was **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the statement recommended by the Scholarship Committee to be added to the application. **“We value your lived experiences and voice over borrowed AI content. We want to hear your authentic voice, motivation, and passion for pursuing a career in education. BD 20251119-02 with one abstention**

Health Services – Patricia MacLachlan – Peter reported a new chair, Pat McClaughlin, with Kriss Crilley serving as secretary. They are moving forward with current ideas and presentations, i.e., June 2025 Convention table, future WSSRA Health Webinars, and a speaker on Alzheimer's Disease to be added to the Convention agenda. Currently, the committee is reviewing the new West Coast Health Care Alliance, which includes California, Oregon, Washington, and Hawaii.

In addition, Peter will check whether Senator Vandana Slatter will be the ZOOM Speaker for a future Health Committee ZOOM meeting. They will be studying the Health Committee Handbook together as a committee.

The Health Committee report was placed on file.

Membership – Alan Burke, Membership Chair, sent in the following written report that included the following:

- Membership count remains above 16,800 and is slightly below November 2024. This indicates that losses and gains are about equal. Note: Actual membership as of 11/19 is 16,878.
- Mini grant reminder.
- Autumn blind mailing sign-ups are arriving at a higher rate than at this time last spring.

Membership Chair Alan Burke's report continued

- Peter prepared a new WSSRA program summary letter that was included in the material non-members received. These efforts appear to have spurred new interest.
- Be aware of the notification of an early January ZOOM membership committee meeting. It is scheduled for January 7, 2026, at 9:00 am. It will focus on recruitment updates from across the state.
- Congratulations to Whitman County Unit for reaching an incentive goal. The Unit gained ten (10) new members (7% increase) and earned a \$300 bonus. Hopefully, more Units will join Unit 33 in the winner's circle as the calendar turns to 2026.

The Membership Committee report was placed on file.

Retirement Planning – Paul Schafer/Victoria Russell – has not met since September

Finance – Bruce Boyer

- Information of the Finance Committee November 4, 2025, meeting:
 - Voted to move WSSRA funds from VB (small cap) into VGT (information technology index fund).
 - Returns are robust, and WSSRA is investing for the “long haul,” which is prudent.
 - Will look at VO (mid-cap) holdings at next meeting.
 - Wellington fund will now be the designated stock to use when funds are needed to manage the WSSRA budget.
- WSSR Foundation Advisement:
 - Sell VMFXX (Federal Money Market) and purchase VUG, a growth fund. Over the past 10 years, the VMFX has averaged a 2.08% annual gain, while the VOG has averaged a 17.4% gain.
- Other:
 - Other topics were discussed.
 - Looking towards educating members in some areas regarding their personal wealth decisions and how to support the WSSR Foundation better.

Legislative – Larry Scholl/Carolyn Stella – see Legislative Report under Legislative update with Legislative Coordinator Emmett Mills.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Convention Evaluation Compilation – Peter Diedrick

Executive Director Peter Diedrick presented a copy of the Evaluation Compilation for the 2025 WSSRA Convention and Delegate Assembly. After reviewing the compilation, the following statements/discussion were made:

- High-quality remarks went to the Awards Banquet, Celebration of Life, Scholarship Luncheon, and Opening Ceremony. Following closely behind is the Tuesday Banquet and Delegate Assembly. The Hobby Room was not listed in the evaluation form, but there has been nothing but high praise for this (huge thanks to Nick and Kathy Schultz), and members would like to see something like this at each convention.
- Red Lion Hotel is a problem; nothing has been done to upgrade. It is in poor condition. That is a company problem, and not much can be done about it. Most members stay at the Holiday Inn across the street.
- Difficulty seeing screens or dancers was also a major concern.
- Overall, the conference was a success.

The Convention Evaluation form was placed on file.

Scholarship Committee AI Concern

Refer to the previously mentioned Scholarship Committee report, where a motion was made and action taken.

Marketing AI

Executive Director Peter Diedrick informed the Board that he has purchased AI software for \$45 per month. Units may contact Peter for more information and to try it out.

Unit Bylaws

Discussion centered around the fact that the Unit Bylaws are not up to date in the office. After the discussion, the following motion was made:

UNIT BYLAWS

BD 20251119-03

On a motion by Rita Figlenski, it was **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the WSSRA office request that a copy of the current Bylaws from each Unit. Submission to be made by April 1, 2026, to Debbie Burgess (debbie@wssra.org). **BD 20251119-03**

****District Representatives: Please note that each District Representative will need to contact Units in their District to inform them of this action item.**

Potential Legislative Intern

A request was made about whether WSSRA could have a volunteer Legislative Intern to shadow and work during the Legislative session. After the discussion, the following motion was made for the future: that Peter prepare a volunteer job description and bring it back to the Board for approval.

Potential Legislative Intern

BD 20251119-04

On a motion by Cathy Stordeur, it was **VOTED** to **APPROVE** a volunteer opportunity for a Legislative Job Shadow. **BD 20251119-04**

NEW BUSINESS

Revolving Committee Terms

Peter brought to the Board that the Committee assignments are out of order (by replacement year). This happened during COVID, and he would like it back to one person per committee, replaced each year for continuity. He distributed a currently scheduled rotation for 2025-2026 and a proposed rotation for 2026-2027. The proposed schedule would help obtain this purpose. After discussion, the following motion was made:

Revolving Committee Terms (Awards, Nominating and Review, Rules and Resolutions)

BD 20251119-05

On a motion by Ann Chenhall, it was **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the Executive Director's recommendation that Revolving Organizational meeting appointments (Awards, Nominating and Review, Rules and Resolutions) rotate at the same time. **BD 20251119-05**

Legislative Update – Legislative Coordinator Emmett Mills

Legislative Director Emmett Mills distributed the WSSR PAC minutes. He then reviewed the events of the recent SPP meeting. The outcome of that meeting was disconcerting to those in attendance. He then reviewed the Legislative Committee's priorities and asked the Board to take action to approve these Legislative Priorities:

- Restore an automatic ongoing cost-of-living adjustment for TRS 1 and PERS 1 retirees.
 - Pass Substitute Senate Bill 5085.
- Protect the \$183 Medicare Eligible Healthcare Subsidy.
 - Make sure funding remains in the budget to reduce costs for retirees who obtain health insurance through the Public Employees Benefits Board.
- Full fund pension.
 - Maintain actuarially recommended employer contributions to make sure we have among the healthiest retirement systems in the country.
- Improve health and pension benefits for members of Plans 2 and 3.

Legislative Priorities 2025-2026

BD 20251119-06

On a motion by Rita Figlenski, it was **VOTED** to **APPROVE** the Legislative Priorities as presented by the Legislative Committee. **BD 20251119-06**

- Restore an automatic ongoing cost-of-living adjustment for TRS 1 and PERS 1 retirees.
 - Pass Substitute Senate Bill 5085.
- Protect the \$183 Medicare Eligible Healthcare Subsidy.
 - Make sure funding remains in the budget to reduce costs for retirees who obtain health insurance through the Public Employees Benefits Board.
- Full fund pension.
 - Maintain actuarially recommended employer contributions to make sure we have among the healthiest retirement systems in the country.
- Improve health and pension benefits for members of Plans 2 and 3.

Legislative Coordinator Emmett Mills' report was placed on file.

Other items to note:

- Scholarship Committee will meet on January 7 at 2:00 pm, January 21 at 12:00 pm, and February 10 at 12:00 pm.
- Denise Perkins has volunteered to represent Eastside on the Awards Committee.

Items for the February 11, 2026, Agenda

- Volunteer Job Description - Peter
- District Representatives to report on and/or place in individual reports:
 - Unit
 - Progress on sending up-to-date Bylaws to Debbie at WSSRA.
 - Mini grant progress
 - Scholarship Progress
 - Concerns
- Convention Progress – Peter/Convention Committee

ADJOURNMENT

November 19, 2025, WSSRA 2025-2026 Executive Board meeting was adjourned by consensus at 1:48 pm. The following hybrid meeting of the WSSRA Executive Board will be held on February 11, 2026, for all 2025-2026 WSSRA Executive Board Members.

Eileen J. Wascisin

Eileen J. Wascisin WSSRA Secretary
November 19, 2025

The meeting adjourned at 1:48 pm.

Eileen Wascisin WSSRA Secretary
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NEXT MEETING

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FEBRUARY 11, 2026 – 9:00 am

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