



## Community Transportation Association of the Northwest

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*"Promoting mobility options through collaboration, education and advocacy"*

### CTANW Winter Membership Spring 2018 Bellevue, Colville, Olympia, Yakima, Teleconference Thursday, March 15, 2018 | 10:00-2:00 pm | Via Teleconference

#### MINUTES

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:04 am.
2. CTANW Business
  - a. Minutes – **It was moved, second, passed unanimously to approve the December 14, 2017 minutes as presented.**
  - b. Financial Report – Tom Dietz reviewed the financial report. **It was moved, second, passed unanimously to approve the financial report as presented.**
  - c. Membership Outreach – Tom Dietz reviewed the membership outreach plan. Colleen Kuhn asked for input from new members on how they learned about CTANW and why they became members. It was suggested to reach out to Area Agency on Aging in all regions to discuss membership. It was mentioned that there are few resources in Thurston County for people in the outer city limits.
3. CTANW Strategic Plan 2018-2022 – The board has been working with Ryan Acker to develop a 5 year strategic plan.
  - a. Advocacy – It has been suggested to have an annual agenda in place with items voted on by the membership. The membership discussed the regulations surrounding for-hire services such as Uber and Lyft compared to disability transportation services. HOV lanes now require 3 people, which is causing issues for transportation providers. Things to add to the annual agenda: create a level playing field, raise awareness about issues surrounding the transportation industry, and adding accessible whitepapers.
  - b. Collaborations – An important focus for CTANW is to have constructive collaboration among the membership. It could be helpful to have a membership meeting site in the northwest part of the state to open meetings to more people.
  - c. Education & Training
  - d. Industry Standards & Best Practices
  - e. Membership Services
4. Agency Updates, Emerging Issues and Trends & Updates from Partners
  - a. Many providers are having trouble getting drivers. It was suggested to explore a statewide internship program. Some areas are also struggling to get drivers in rural regions.
  - b. Members provided updates from their areas. Many companies have increased tracking on vehicles to decrease idling and unsafe driving.
5. Presentation from Washington Road Usage Charge – Members welcomed Reema Griffith with the WS Transportation Commission. Income from the gas tax is going down as cars become more fuel efficient. The funds are not available to maintain roads and bridges. The majority of income from the gas tax is pre-spent. The transportation commission is in the process of developing and testing a road usage charge in place of gas tax.
6. Additional Q&A
7. Adjournment – **The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 pm.**