Meeting Minutes: Friends of KSPS Full Board Meeting
Regular Meeting
September 24, 2026
KSPS 3911 South Regal
Spokane, WA

Members Attending: Emily Geddes (chair), Craig Bakker, Roberta Brooke, Tiro Clarke, Jessica Deri, Jon Heideman, Jaye Hopkins, Kris Neely, Sandra Kernerman, Beth Pellicciotti, Ken Spiering, Michèle Stanners, Jen Westra

Absent: Jessica Deri, Jeff Ferguson, Kristine Meyer

Staff Attending: Skyler Reep**,** Shawn Claypool, Sheryl Johnson, and Zana Morrow

The meeting was called to order by Chair Emily Geddes at 5:03 pm. She announced a quorum.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Consent agenda: Jaye Hopkins moved and Roberta Brooke seconded the approval of the consent agenda. The Board voted unanimously for approval.

Treasurer's report: Jon Heideman gave the Treasurer's report. He noted that the endowment, assets and investments are in good shape despite the turbulence of the past year. In response to a question, he noted that the financial report is delayed this month due to moving the financial management internally. In answer to other questions, he said there is not a current reserve policy and that the current endowment is performing at a 6% return.

Endowment holdback vote: The Board decides every year if 10% of the proceeds from bequests should be moved into the Endowment or kept for KSPS operations. (90% of any bequest goes into the Endowment). Sandra Kernerman moved and Jon Heideman seconded that 10% of the proceeds from the Fiscal Year 2026 bequests be moved into operations. Twelve members voted in favor of this motion with one abstention.

Revised bylaws vote: Emily Geddes presented the revised bylaws. In answer to questions, she explained the proposed Bylaws to the Board.

3.4 Term and Election of Directors: "No Director shall serve more than two consecutive three-year terms, for a maximum of six consecutive years of service." This codifies in the Bylaws what has been a practice of the Board.

3.72 Regular meetings. This section was not changed, even though the Board is now meeting monthly. Emily Geddes explained that the current Bylaws give the Board flexibility in scheduling regular meetings.

4.5 Treasurer. A minor revision to this section was proposed to clarify responsibilities and align the language with current practices.

5.2.1. Executive committee. “The Executive Committee may act on behalf of the Board.”
5.3. Committee authority: “All committee actions shall remain subject to review and approval by the Board.”
A revision to Section 5.3 was proposed to reference Section 5.2.1 for clarity regarding Executive Committee authority. Another revision to Section 5.3 was proposed to allow committees to take action without a meeting

Beth Pellicciotti moved and Michèle Stanner seconded the approval of the revised Bylaws subject to the proposed minor revisions described above (September 24, 2026). The vote was 12 yeses and one no. The Board member voting “no” asked that the Board return to the issue of Executive Committee authority at a future meeting.

General Manager Report: Skyler Reep asked for Board members to volunteer to create a version of the Strategic Plan to be used with the public, donors, and foundations. Chris Neely and Michèle Stanner volunteered. He noted upcoming KSPS events -- on estate planning and a Town Hall.

The November Board meeting is moved to December 3rd with no additional Board meetings in December.

Committee reports included Arts and Culture, Development, Education, and Civic Health.

Emily Geddes adjourned the meeting at 6:00 pm.