



Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Board of Trustees Meeting Recap: December 15, 2025

Board of Trustees (BOT) Chair N. Kathryn Brigham called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. Quorum of six was verified with Secretary Monica Paradise and Trustees Corinne Sams and Lisa Ganuelas out for personal leave. Agenda was approved.

New Business

Education Project New Market Tax Credit Unwind (25-093): The BOT approved the unwinding of New Market Tax Credit financing for the tribal education facility under the Cay-Uma-Wa nonprofit corporation and authorized the CTUIR to enter into unwind documents to which the CTUIR is a party. The unwinding also includes authorizing the CTUIR chair, or her designee, to execute documents.

Shoshoni Wildbill Space Lease Agreement (25-094): The BOT approved a space lease agreement between Shoshoni Wildbill and the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) for a food and health retail store in the Coyote Business Park North.

Amended and Restated Singh Lease Agreement (25-095): The BOT approved an amended and restated lease agreement between the DECD and Bhupinder Singh for a truck wash facility at the Coyote Business Park South. The amendment was for pushing back the start of lease terms and payment schedule because of the time it took to secure Bureau of Indian Affairs approval of the lease pursuant to federal guidelines.

Zing Drone Solutions Inc. Use Space Agreement (25-096): The BOT approved a use space agreement between the DECD and Zing Drone Solutions for space at Coyote Business Park South for operating a drone assembly business.

General Welfare Payments Tax Exempt (25-097): The BOT approved a resolution stating that quarterly payments made to CTUIR members from Wildhorse Resort & Casino net revenues pursuant to the 2024 Amended Gaming Revenue Allocation Plan are general welfare benefits and are exempt from federal income tax.

Executive Director Information

The BOT approved pertinent staff to attend and provide testimony at the 20th annual Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation from Jan. 21-23 at the Mystic Lake Casino Hotel in Prior Lake, Minnesota.

The BOT approved pertinent staff to participate in the application process for the new Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) kinship caregiver services contract when it opens in January 2026.

The BOT approved the CTUIR's acknowledgement of ODHS' consultation efforts regarding the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) waiver, supports the request and approval of the new waiver for tribal lands and continues engagement on SNAP Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents work rules, given the early termination of Food and Nutrition Service and litigation.

Next Board of Trustees Meeting: 9 a.m., December 22, 2025

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