



Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Board of Trustees Meeting Recap: June 1, 2026

Board of Trustees (BOT) Vice Chair Aaron Ashley called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. A quorum of eight was verified with Chair N. Kathryn Brigham out on personal leave.

Old Business

Polled Resolution: Cay-Uma-Wa Head Start (CUWHS) Federal Assistance Continuation Application (2026-031): The BOT ratified a resolution authorizing the submission of the CUWHS Continuation Grant application for the fifth and final year of Federal Head Start funding and authorizes the executive director to provide progress reports through the Education and Training Committee and BOT.

Polled Letter: Oregon State Bar Amendments (2026-16): The BOT ratified a polled letter to the Oregon State Bar supporting amendments to Oregon Revised Statutes 24.105 that supports recognizing tribal court orders for involuntary civil commitments and aid and assist.

New Business

City of Umatilla Water Infrastructure Project (26-032): The BOT passed a resolution approving a utility right-of-way and assignment of utility right-of-way for a City of Umatilla water infrastructure project, waiving the valuation of the right-of-way and agreeing upon compensation satisfactory to the CTUIR, which waiver and compensation are in the best interests of the CTUIR.

Commission/Committee Update

The BOT approved to advertise one position for the Health Commission for a term expiring June 16; one position for the Land Protection Planning Commission for a term expiring June 12, two positions on the Science and Technology Committee for terms expiring on June 11 and one position for the Tiicham Conservation District for a term ending Oct. 3. All applications are due by 4 p.m. on June 18. A BOT work session is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on June 26 to review applications, and appointments will be made on June 29.

Executive Director Information

The BOT approved Department of Natural Resources to identify appropriate staff to attend and participate in the Implementation Advisory Group for the Washington Shrubsteppe Restoration and Resiliency Initiative (WSRRI). The WSRRI aims to address wildlife habitat protection and restoration challenges while supporting working lands and communities in the face of wildland fire.

The BOT approved Chair Brigham to virtually attend and participate in the Bonneville Power Administration's update on the Proactive Planning and Accelerate Expansion elements of the Grid Access Transformation Project's Future State efforts on June 15.

The BOT approved Trustee Lisa Ganuelas and General Council Chairman Lindsey X. Watchman to attend the Collision Course: Hanford Cleanup, Nuclear Energy, and Data Centers webinar on June 12.

The BOT approved Chair Brigham and Trustee Toby Patrick to attend former Gov. Kate Brown's official portrait unveiling and reception on June 16 at the Oregon State Capitol House Chamber Lobby.

Next Board of Trustees Meeting: 9 a.m., June 15, 2026

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