

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
SAN JUAN ISLAND LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
For the purpose of Steering Committee and Public Meeting Planning, and Board
Interviews**

Hybrid Attendance—in person in the Library's Meeting Room and by Zoom
(access information provided at www.sjlib.org)

August 25th, 2025

1) Call to Order: President Karen Vedder called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Members Present: Boyd Pratt, Karen Vedder, Barbara Sharp, John Aschoff

Staff Present: Laurie Orton, Anthony Morris, Kasey Rasmussen

2) Visitors: Leah Martin (Allied8), Stephanie Ingram (Fivedot), Geoff Piper (Fivedot), Cheryl Kringle, Tanja Williamson, Steven Hudson, Tom Carter, Bryce Ecklund

3) Agenda Approval:

MSC Boyd Pratt moved and Barbara Sharp seconded to accept the agenda as submitted. Carried.

4) New Business

a) Trustee Interviews

- The board interviewed trustee candidates Cheryl Kringle and Tanja Williamson. A variety of questions were asked regarding their interest in serving on the board, experience, thoughts on trustee roles, the building project, the role of the library, and other topics. Board members also answered questions from candidates.

Break at 10:43 am. Meeting resumed at 10:59 am.

Break at 11:48 am. Meeting resumed at 12:00 pm.

b) Community Engagement Steering Committee

- Geoff and Stephanie of Fivedot reviewed a Steering Committee job description with the board and discussed the Steering Committee's role as the bridge between the design team and the community in the public engagement and design process.
- Boyd and John will form a subcommittee to work on identifying and inviting community members to join the Steering Committee. They will bring their recommendations to the board to appoint members to the Steering Committee at the September 18th, 2025 special meeting. The Steering Committee members will have their first meeting with the consultants the following week.
- Discussion was held on what information needs to be gathered and communicated to the Steering Committee in advance of the first public

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meetings in October. Leah of Allied8 will do some simple cost analysis to provide a rough estimate of building cost per square foot to reference.

MSC Barbara Sharp moved and Karen Vedder seconded to appoint John and Boyd to the Selection of the Steering Committee subcommittee. Carried.

c) Public Meeting Planning

- Discussion was held on possible dates for the first public meeting in October. October 22nd, 2025 was tentatively chosen, subject to venue availability.

Break at 12:56 pm. Meeting resumed at 1:01pm.



d) Trustee Interview

- The board interviewed trustee candidate Steven Hudson. Questions were the same as previously noted.

5) Adjournment

MSC Barbara Sharp moved and Boyd Pratt seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:35 pm. Carried.

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