

# August 2011 NWOPTA Chapter Meeting Minutes



## Oregon Pupil Transportation Association Northwest Chapter Meeting Minutes

August 9, 11

President Kim Crabtree called the meeting to order at 12:10 am.

Members present: Doug Fedderson, NCSD; Bill Mattes, Retired; Kris Spencer, Sherwood; Kim Crabtree, Sherwood; Dawn Parsell, NCDS; Charrisse Wall, PPS; Janet Trapold, Reynolds; Kathy Houck, Reynolds; Sandy VanBaggen, PPS; Shelly Cota, Vernonia; Jennifer Willis, NCSD; Kim Hevia, Schetky NW; David Schetky, Schetky NW; Ron Parmer, NCSD; Jerry Outslay, Sherwood; Harold Snider, Sherwood; Sue Caldwell, Sherwood; Kristy Kalina, Sherwood, Patricia Baker, BSD, Steven Huillet, ODE

Total attending: 20

Minutes taken by: Patricia Baker

Welcome by Kim Crabtree. Thank you to Jennifer Willis and committee for the work on the Summer Workshop. Introduction of 2011-12 Officers including those not present. This is a short meeting to review goals and start thinking about committee chairs for next year.

- Minutes of previous meeting not available
- Financial Report not available – will be reviewed at October meeting.

### Committee Reports

August Workshop: Approximately 700 attendees. So far it's smooth. Thanks to all for participating and instructing. Discussion on Chair for next year. Jennifer will help find instructors but not Chair, Dawn will help with Registration, Shelly volunteered to help. Discussion followed on amount of work and skills needed – please bring thoughts to October meeting.

Poster Contest: Charisse Wall chaired last year – 394 entries. She will give all notes to new Chairperson. Kristy Kalina from Sherwood was invited to Chair.

Winter Workshop: Jean Frazey will organize, please send suggestions for speakers and topics of interest.

Safety Exercise: Kim and Sandy reported that Teri Brady is Chairing with a good committee. She is already working on ideas.

State Board: Steven Huillet reported 1) Legislative Session is over, new Legislative Committees will meet in October. 2) Federal Standards changing on Oct 21, 2011 on vehicles 10,000 GVW and under must have Child Restraints and lap/shoulder belts. ODE update standards any school bus manufactured after that date will require lap/shoulder straps. 3) TJ is working with an email committee on Rule Revisions. There will be a huge change in coming expanding from about a dozen rules to 45 rules. They will be set up in related subsections by topic. There will be definitions for everything. This is expected out by July 1, 2012. 4) Question asked of the cost per mile reimbursement – 1<sup>st</sup> reading will be in October, due by December 2011. 5) DMV is requesting each examiner conduct at least 10 tests per year. DMV would like to reduce the approximate 160 ODE examiners to about 110. If a 3<sup>rd</sup> party tester is not testing, they should go to ‘inactive status’. They will still go through the recertification process but be inactive. It is an easy process to change to active, if the District needs them. Folks who go through the 3<sup>rd</sup> Party testing training will remain in-active until their District shows justification of need. 6) ODE is looking new rules making it tighter to become a trainer and tester with the new rule changes. To attend the March BTW class, it is being proposed that a person will be required to be an Assistant Trainer for 1 school year. Then to become a 3<sup>rd</sup> Party tester, a person must be a Trainer for a full school year.

New Business: Discussion on meetings rotating around area again this year. Request for ideas for the Roundtable discussions. A suggestion was made to have a survey sent out to all members to request topics of concern for trainers. Sandy VanBaggen and Mark Sexton request Wheelchairs and securement as October’s topic.

Introduction of David Schetky: Kim Hevia from Schetky introduced David, who will be handling sales in the Pacific NW area. She passed out brochures on new seats that are easy and quick to exchange manufactured by SafeGuard. Schetky offered to host the October meeting at their location and provide securement training.

Schetky Northwest Sales, Inc. 8430 NE Killingsworth St, Portland, OR 97220

Next meeting October 18, 2011 11:00 am

Meeting adjourned at 12:40

Respectively submitted by Patricia Baker

**2011-2012 Officers – Board of Directors**  
**For NW Chapter OPTA**

Kim Crabtree – President

Teri Brady –President Elect

Mary Conger – Acting Past President

Dawn Parsell – Treasurer

Jean Frazey – Secretary

Paula Adams – Board

Doug Fedderson – Board

Rosemary Vehrenkamp – Board

**SEE YOU AT THE**

**Next Meeting**

**October 18, 2011**

**Hosted by Schetky Northwest**

Don't forget, membership runs  
from July to June

We have conveniently included  
an application with this newsletter

Kathy is looking forward  
to seeing your renewal come in.

## OPTA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY:**

- Active Member  
Persons performing administrative, supervisory, driver training, an/or regulatory duties in  
School bus operations.
- Associate Member  
Any person interested in or associated with, any phase of pupil transportation.
- Professional Member  
Persons employed as a school bus driver or a mechanic/technician in school bus  
Operations.
- Honorary Member  
Any person, or, institution so named by the State Board of Directors.

**CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP:**

- |  |       |
|--|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Membership            | \$15  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Northwest Membership        | \$10  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> South Willamette Membership | \$20  |
| Total Paid   | _____ |

*Make checks payable to: OPTA*

**REGISTRATION:**

Please Type or print

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ New Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to receive the Eight-Way Flasher by: email \_\_\_\_\_ post office \_\_\_\_\_

Specify Year (July 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>) Payment Applies: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

*Send Membership Application and Payment to:*

Kathy Houck  
1204 NE 201<sup>st</sup> Av.  
Fairview, OR 97024

