

NW Chapter OPTA Meeting

1/8/2013

Schetky NW Sales

Meeting Opened by Teri Brady at 11:15 followed by introductions.

Attendees: Chuck Loesch Seaside SD, Anna Borges Seaside SD, Kim Crabtree Sherwood SD, Debra Lillison Centennial SD, Vicki Weller Jewell SD, T.J. Crockett ODE, Janet Trapold Reynolds SD, Sarah Sutherland Reynolds SD, Rehana Nelson Reynolds SD, Doug Fedderson NCSD, Dawn Parsell NCSD, Mary Conger NCSD, Mark Sexton NCSD, Ish Quintanilla HRCSD, Cindy Sim HRCSD, Kim Hevia Schetky NW Sales, Chase Schetky Schetky NW Sales, Teri Brady PPS and Sandy van Baggen PPS.

Thank you Schetky NW Sales for hosting this month's NW OPTA Meeting

Introductions were made

Minutes; were taken and distributed by email, copies were available at meeting. A correction was made on spelling of Seon and Keizer, Kim C motioned to approve the minutes and Anna B seconded

Financial Report; – None was given

Poster Contest; Mary said the National Rules went out and she is waiting on changes from South Willamette Chapter. T.J. will send out rule changes and Steve H may be able to send the art teachers the information. The information is getting out late so Mary asked us to send it out to the schools.

Education; Beaverton is looking for an 8 CORE class, 1/28/13 Reynolds is having? Reynolds also has concerns with American Red Cross has too many different cards for each training and billing issues.

Sunshine; Mary and Dawn had none to report

Membership; None to report, however each District is encouraged to check with their office to make sure their membership has been paid.

Winter Workshop; N. Clackamas has a motivational speaker named Vicki Handy, Dawn has her information and Schetky will give door prizes

Safety Exercise; The site for NW Regional is at Hood River HS, there is no charge and we get the entire parking lot and looking for some folks for onsite security. PPS will offer minis if needed, Hood River is looking into their fleet, Centennial will asked for 5 conventional and Schetky could possible help with transits if they are identical.

Summer Workshop; No report at this time, Kim Crabtree, Rehana Nelson and Mary Conger have offered to triple chair, Lynette is still available to help and Kim will ask Patricia if she has a notebook of information from last year. We discussed having speakers on Friday, there was about 30 in attendance last year so there are concerns about turnout. There are more funds available this year for speakers; Kim C will get numbers from last year to compare. Grants Pass is at the same week so there's a possibility of sharing speakers (?) ODE will help work with the committee; Doug F will contact Bill Mattes to help. A "save the Date" needs to be sent to all districts and Kim c will confirm the site location.

State Report; T.J. gave some explanation on what is thought to be discrepancies between the training and testing manuals, he said the training material is the same. He also reiterated testing is made to match the DMV testing criteria and not necessarily matching our training however we need to continue to train at our higher standard. The drive test will be changing in the future and there will be a new DMV testing form. DMV is struggling with Federal Guidelines, feds want a traffic violation during a test to be an automatic test failure and the DMV cheat sheet is going away. Districts have to follow ODE and ODE has to work with DMV. I-Learn went pretty well, Craig likes the idea of 3rd Party to be done on I-Learn. Fifteen folks have already registered on I-Learn for the March class.

Old Business;

- Nominations and voting for secretary position.
- Kim offers pre-trip training for bus drivers, has a new DVD and will share with NCSD
- PPS is looking at doing a video for small buses.

New Business; Kim C. had concerns with discrepancies between the new training and testing criteria; information in testing is not in BTW and there is missing information. She will email T.J. with specific concerns.

Roundtable; There was additional discussion on specific discrepancies on language used in the training and testing materials which T.J. went into great detail. If you have specific concerns he encourages us to contact him by email.

Meeting was adjourned; Debra L motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:35 and Janet T seconded

Next Meeting;

February 12th Village Inn,

March 18th is at the Winter Workshop,

April 9th Seaside, Anna Borges will plan.

May 14th Western Bus Sales, Shawn Choruby will plan.