

**OREGON PUPIL
TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION, INC.**
A non-profit organization



South Willamette Chapter

Date: December 8, 2009
Location: Cascade Grill, Albany
Meeting Called to Order: Chris Ellison – 11:00
Members: Chris Ellison, Tom Saddler, Cindy Moran, Theresa Cook, L.D. Ellison, Maggi Estes, Carlos Gonzales, Deborah Maskal, Craig Pruitt, Kay Saddler, Michael Shields, Cindy Sim, Wilbur Starr, Vurlee Nab-Alexander

Previous Minutes: Vurlee moved to pass with corrections. Cindy Sim - 2nd

Financial Report: A Correction of -\$20 from last month was recorded.
- -\$325.78 Trinket
- +\$525 Membership
- +\$15 Education Workshop
- -\$66.97 Computer
- \$16,099.40 Balance

Committee Reports

State Board: Next board meeting 12/17/2009 – No report
NAPT – Tom sent letters to several company's in the Tillamook area for donations.

Poster Contest: Denice was going to ODE to check on mailings, there is no update on that yet.

Safety Exercise: May 1st – Cut off for registration is April 23rd
Grants Pass is an ideal site, if they will cover judges and the busses.
Chris will call them to make sure they can. There are some disadvantages – Hotel stays, travel time. Put to a vote, passed unanimously for Grants Pass.

Sunshine: Nothing to report

Education: GAPS hosted Routing 101 workshop. It went great, 14 people, 4 to 5 from each location. Good discussion on routing. Chris Engle took notes; these will be sent out to members as soon as they are available.
Next workshop is Tuesday February 2nd 5:30-7:30. Dispatchers Forum/Public relations
OPTA members are free – non-members \$5. Includes dinner
This is a Great opportunity to share ideas and what works for other departments.
Planning to have these every other month and hope the local districts will join us.

Winter Workshop: "Bus Driver Boot Camp"
February 20, 2010. Location will be Sweet Home High School
Sweet Home fire department will be giving a workshop on fire extinguishers.
Working on a Pretrip problem solving segment with 4 stations.
No lunches will be served to help with cost. There are restaurants closes by, walking or driving. They can also bring their own.

Need to send a small map with registration for the area.
 The cost will be \$20 for registration, down from \$25 last year.
 The cut off date for registration is Feb. 5th, a late fee will incur for late arrivals. Chris will send a memo out to the districts to save the date and cost.
 We will split them into 3 groups. Kathryn Phillips – Student Management
 Fire Safety – Sweet Home Fire Dept. Pre-Trip inspections

Membership: Added 15 members – 108 +1 from last year.
 Tom Saddler motioned that following past practices TJ Crockett become an honorary member. Deborah 2nd – motion carried.

Old Business:

New Business: Craig Pruitt – ODE mailing “Christmas Cards” to all testers.

- New forms that are effective January 1, 2010
- DMV competency forms changing
- Testers will have to log in 48 hours in advance, then log in after the test to record the results.
- All testers that go through the recertification will get set up with the new system. By Oct. 1, 2010 everyone will be on board

Michael Shields – Measure 66 & 67 will impact us as a business. Unions are fighting for it. Individuals will not be impacted. Shoulder belt issue brought up, the new seat back height will go to 28” then they will add the shoulder belts. This was discussed.

For the Good-of-the-Order:

Future Meetings:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>
October 13, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	General Housekeeping; set Drivers' Winter Workshop date & location; set Safety Exercise date & location
November 10, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	State of the State’s Pupil Transportation
December 8, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop
January 12, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop
February 9, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	TBD
March 9, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Safety Exercise
April 13, Tuesday	Almost Home, Salem	Nominate New Officers
May 14, Friday	Izzies, Redmond	Elect Officers
June 22, Tuesday	Valley River Inn, Eugene	Install New Officers

Meeting Adjourned: 12:30 pm Tom moved to close the meeting, Deborah 2nd.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday January 12th, 2010

Next Meeting Location: Cascade Grill, Albany 11:00am