



South Willamette Chapter

Date: October 12, 2010

Location: Cascade Grill, Albany OR

Meeting Called to Order: Chris Ellison, 11:10 AM

Members: Chris Ellison, Carl Salstrom, David Farley, Tom Saddler, Cindy Moran, Kevin Baker, Denice Blake, Shawn Choruby, Dave Dunlap, LD Ellison, Maggi Estes, Susan Hunt, Cheryl Hicks, Vurlee Nab-Alexander, Michael Shields, Wilber Starr, Dan Wood

Previous Minutes: Approved with revisions

Financial Report: Tom Saddler gave the financial report.
\$17,884.71 balance as of October 12, 2010
After the meeting today Denice Blake, Michael Shields and Tom Saddler will stay to audit funds for the transfer of names for Treasure. Tom will hand over all the Treasure items to Deborah Maskal.
A check in the amount of \$50 will be added back into the account. It has been 3 years since written and not cashed out.

Committee Reports

State Board: NAPT extended a 3 for all sign up to increase the number of participants. There were 220 at the last count. Steven Hullett sent out announcements to all the Districts. Several of the presentations are from our area. Salem/Keizer – 6, Albany – 1, Beaverton, and Susan Hunt from OCDC.
Go to the NAPT website to look out the material and speakers.
With the \$75 membership fee you can go into the tradeshow. There will be over 100 vendors and open Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning.
Chris asks for 5 or 6 people to help with registration, stuffing bags and handing out jackets.
A discussion ensued on the low attendance and the west coast location.
Michael talked about the National Association of State Directors and the program that would be provided.
State OPTA has donated \$500 to buy items for donation baskets, NW OPTA donated \$1000. A discussion ensued on how much we should donate. LD motioned to match States \$500, Kevin 2nd.
The OPTA website is up and running. It is well laid out and very functional. There is an interest in having a link with the site so 3 tiers have been set up for that; Platinum \$2000, gold \$1000 and silver \$500. The Platinum gets 2 rolling ads, a link under partners to their website, an indoor and outdoor location at the June conference including 4 banquet tickets and logos stating them as proud sponsors, also a NASDEP license plate.
The website received 600 hits the first day.
The 2011 State conference will be in Eugene at the Valley River Center. The 2012 State Conference will be in Hood River.

- Poster Contest: “I See the Bus the Bus Sees Me”
SW Chairpersons – Kevin Baker and Tom Saddler
NW Chapter Chairperson – Mary Conger, North Clackamas
ODE - Steven Hullett
- Safety Exercise: The dates for the safety exercise have not been set yet. It was recommended that we wait until the State gives the date for the State exercise then the chapters will work accordingly.
SW Chapter is still working on acquiring a trailer for equipment. State may contribute funds since they use it also. A lot of the equipment NW has is the States, they hold it for them.
- Sunshine: Card to Deborah, she had surgery. A card will be sent to Tom Bower, Tom’s son-in-law he is ill.
- Education: OPTA Forum will continue this year. They will be on the first Tuesday of the month. The first one will be December 7th, 2010 at Salem/Keizer Transportation Dept. The topic is mechanics, David Farley is hosting. This will be revisited at the next meeting.
- Winter Workshop: “Bulling on the Bus” Chris has the speaker lined up and has a meeting October 13th with the County Sheriffs office. It will be at West Albany High School, another big production like the Bus vs. Train WW, Want to end the video with a cliff hanger and ongoing at the football field. The SWAT team will be called.
Denice asked about a second ending that would call for a class on crisis response and the warning signs of suicidal kids.
Essex entertainment will be doing the sound; Derek Cox will be the videographer.
- Membership: Mailings are being sent out this week. You can also register on-line but not pay. The money goes to the treasure than the State portion is sent to Cathy Houck.
- Old Business: Denice Blake was elected President elect for State OPTA and is State Representative on the State Board. In May she was asked if she would like to run for NW OPTA Representative, at the time she accepted. Now due to her other duties she has stepped down. At the June meeting David Farley said he would be willing to take on the position.
- New Business: A SW Chapter calendar of scheduled events: Is this something we need?
The name of South Willamette Chapter was questioned. This was tabled until the November meeting.

For the Good-of-the-Order

Future Meetings:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>
October 12, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	General Housekeeping; set Drivers' Winter Workshop date & location; set Safety Exercise date & location
November 9, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop Safety Exercise
December 14, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	State of the State's Pupil Transportation
January 11, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop
February 8, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop/Safety Exercise
March 8, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Safety Exercise
April 12, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Nominate New Officers
May 13, Friday	Bostons, Bend	Elect Officers
June 21, Tuesday	Valley River Inn, Eugene	Install New Officers

Meeting Adjourned: 1:10

Next Meeting Date: November 9th, 2010

Next Meeting Location: Cascade Grill, Albany OR