

# OREGON PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

*A non-profit organization*



## ***South Willamette Chapter***

Date: January 10, 2012  
Location: Cascade Grill, Albany, OR  
Meeting Called to Order: Kevin Baker, 11:00 am  
Members Present: Kris Freeman, David Farley, Denise Balch, Denise Blake, Shawn Choruby, Chris Ellison, Maggi Estes, Sue Hill-Smith, Susan Hunt, David Jorgenson, Cindy Moran, Vurlee Nab-Alexander, Craig Pruitt, David Schetky, Wilbur Starr

Previous Minutes: Approved

Financial Report:

Beginning Balance:	\$15,078.56
Income	\$ 235.00
Expenses	\$ 271.24
Ending Balance:	\$15,042.32

### ***Committee Reports***

State Board: Chris is working on the OPTA website. He is seeking a volunteer that would be interested in creating a newsletter that would be posted on the website.

Poster Contest: Maggi has contacted COSA to spread the word about the contest, but has not heard back from them. She will ask Steven to add the contest information to his January Pipeline. Denise Balch has offered to assist Maggi.

She received a phone call from a teacher that wanted to find out what language was acceptable to use on the posters. It was determined that students could use both English and Spanish (or any other language).

Safety Exercise: NW OPTA Regional Safety Exercise – May 5, Sherwood, OR  
SW OPTA Regional Safety Exercise – May 19, Springfield, OR  
State Safety Exercise – June 2, Springfield, OR

Chris is gathering more information for this exercise to add a Special Ed piece. He is researching how other states do their safety exercises. The Special Ed event will only be held at the State Safety Exercise not at Regionals.

Sunshine: No report.

Education: The next Best Practice Forum will be held on March 6, in Albany. The topic will be Budgeting.

Winter Workshop: This will be held at McNary High School in Keizer on February 25<sup>th</sup>, the cost is \$25.00. The topic of this year's winter workshop is student management. The

presenters have been secured for this event and food services will have lunches available for purchase. Chris Ellison will arrange to have the donuts ready and LD Ellison will organize the coffee station. Both Schetky and Brattain will be sponsoring the morning donuts and coffee.

Schetky, Brattain, and Western Bus will each have a bus parked in the lot for people to tour during lunch and breaks.

Membership: No report.

Old Business: No report.

Oregon Department of Education:

Craig Pruitt provided an overview of ODE’s position with the Third Party Examiner Program. DMV has determined that it is not cost effective to maintain the current level of ODE examiners and is re-evaluating their policy that allows ODE examiners to remain certified when not conducting a sufficient number of tests to support the program needs. Therefore, ODE is asking districts to reduce the number of active examiners in the program.

ODE is currently working on editing their forms and Craig suggests checking their website regularly.

Craig provided a FAQ handout in regards to the new CDL Medical Certification requirements.

***For the Good-of-the-Order***

Future Meetings:

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Topic</u></b>
February 14, 2012 Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop/Safety Exercise
February 25, 2012	Mc Nary HS, Salem OR	SW OPTA Winter Workshop
March 13, 2012 Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Safety Exercise
April 10, 2012 Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Nominate New Officers
May 11, 2012 Friday	Bostons, Bend / 11:00 am	Elect Officers
June 20, 2012 Tuesday	The Riverhouse, Bend OR	Install New Officers

Meeting Adjourned: Moved by Chris and seconded David Farley.

Next Meeting Date: February 14, 2012, 11:00 am

Next Meeting Location: Cascade Grill, Albany OR