South Willamette Chapter

Date: 10/22/2019
Location: Sizzler Restaurant, Springfield
Meeting called to order: David Jorgenson 11:15 am
Members present: Chris Ellison, David Jorgenson, Sarah Jones, Craig Pruot, Maggi Estes, Hylah Moncy, Ryan Dougherty, Ashleigh Barley, Tanya Adams

Financial Report: Carla still having issues with getting access to the account. Ending balance is $16,606.02

Committee Reports

State Board: First meeting was on Friday 10/18/2019. We added a Vendor Representative position to the Board. We changed the by-laws to reflect this. They will be on a yearly rotation. Website needs refreshing which will cost at least $10,000. Also need to get the rest of the AV equipment.

Summer Conference: Chris Ellison is asking the chapters to donate $2500 for a sponsored break for the summer conference. NW has already committed to $1500. He is also proposing we eliminate 1 day from the conference.

Proposed: Monday: Golf
Tuesday: Pre-Con 8-4
Wednesday: 8-4
Thursday: 8-12 Trade show
Friday: 8-4
Safety Exercise:
We are looking at Regionals at Reynolds Middle school on May 2, 2020. State will be May 30, 2020 in Eugene at the first Baptist Church

Winter workshop:

ODE report:

Craig:
On the nation front:
1. FMCSA will *most likely* delay entire ELDT implementation to 2022. Core update will be delayed along with it. However it will be helpful for districts to review the requirements and begin planning now for a smooth transition. Districts may offer another ELDT program if desired from a private party; it will have an associated cost. ODE Core will likely be commercial driver licenses.
2. National drug & alcohol clearing house will go live in January, drivers and employers may register now. ODE sent information with October newsletter.

On the home front:
1. HB 2007 diesel standards memo will go out to tri-country districts and operations- does not affect most of the state.
2. Site visits will be announced for this year soon; send completed questionnaires in if you received one.
3. Brock has taken the role of Western Regional Director for NASDPTS-he will coordinate meeting of all the western states between annual conferences.
4. Annual transportation reports should be turned in by now. Filed electronically.

Scott:
Setting up Buster and the safety patrol presentation. If you need materials or wish us to present to your students, please reach out to him. As a reminder, we do have a “loaner” Buster if you would like to set your own student presentations.

Third Party Program:
Districts are now set up to operate directly under DMV, I believe the program is going much better than last year. Contractors are filling agreements with the DMV at this time, should be in place by the end of the month.
ODE and the DMV cosponsored the third party class last summer, as well as examiner annual evaluations. DMV seem pleased with the results from both programs.

Travel:
Scott, Brock and Craig attended the NASDPTS conference last week. Great information. Highlight for us was the FMCSA presentation and of course NTSB reports on the school bus crash reports released last spring. If you get a chance go read them.
Flo and Shonna attended the CJIS conference in Bend and Engage “Smartsheet” in Seattle.

Staff Changes:
Pupil Transportation is now under the Office of Research and Accountability. Dustin Melton holds the title of Director of Pupil Transportation & Fingerprinting. Brian Reader is the Assistant Superintendent. More changes to come.

Education:
Sara Jones from Western tells us that the Blue Bird Next Gen seats (only big buses and only the CRS seats) aren’t ideal to stow the 5 point harness belts and operate for drivers. The dealers are working through solutions with the Blue Bird on this to make them more operationally friendly. They have a few electric buses out on the road already. They are doing ride and drives now.

Sunshine:
Bob George Happy Birthday
Barbara Holmes Eugene (bereavement)

For the Good of the Order

Future Meetings:

November 12, 2019 Springfield/Sizzler
December 10, 2019 Springfield /Sizzler
January 14, 2020 Springfield/Sizzler
February 11, 2020 Springfield/Sizzler
March 10. 2020 Springfield/Sizzler
April 14, 2020 Springfield/Sizzler
May 12, 2020 Springfield/Sizzler

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