

OREGON PUPIL
TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION, INC.
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State Board of Directors
November 15, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Denice Blake, Chris Ellison, Keith Wright, Cindy Moran, Kathy Houck, Kim Crabtree, Carl Salstrom, Mary Conger, Janet Mauldin, Kris Freeman, David Farley, Cindy Sim, and Steven Huillet

Members Missing:

Teri Brady.

Guest:

Robert Murray – rmurray@brattain.com

Call to order at 11:04 pm at the Hole in Wall Restaurant, Springfield, OR.

Denice presented Chris E. with an Award for Years of Outstanding Service to OPTA.

Minutes:

Read Minutes for the March 08 meeting, they were approved.

Read Minutes for the May 17 meeting, they were approved after minor amendments.

Read Minutes for the June 18 meeting, they were approved after minor amendments.

Read Minutes for the June 21 meeting, they were approved.

Financial Report:

Kathy read Check register and Banking Summary for the remainder of 11-12 year. The Register and Summary for 12-13 were reviewed. Both were approved by the board.

Chapter Reports:

Northwest: Kim C. – Had first meeting and it was a low turnout. Not much got done because of it. Cindy Sim was elected as President Elect for NW Chapter. She is from Hood River School District. Rodeo is potentially at Hood River Cindy S is checking on that. NW was having trouble sending out notices for the meeting. Kim C. is to work with Pat B from Beaverton who took over for Jean Frazy as Secretary.

South Willamette Valley: Carl – Maggie Estes will do Poster contest, David Farley will chair the Safety Exercise and Cindy Moran will be Head Judge. They will use Sprague High on 5.18.13 for SWV Safety Exercise. Wilbur will head up the Sunshine Dept.

SWV is having an Education Forum 11/29/12 at Salem Keizer @ 5:30pm dealing with Mechanics. Next meeting will be 12.11.12 @ Cascade Grill in Albany. Winter Workshop is 2.23.13 at Thurston High with the theme TBA.

Committee Reports:

Conference- Lunch will stay the same at \$15.00, Banquet tickets will stay the same at \$30.00 Registration Fee to stay the same at \$110.00 again. Trade show will be \$250.00. Committee felt that with economy the way it is we should not raise prices in hopes of attracting more participants. Chris has worked with both Valley River Inn and Riverhouse in Bend about the miscommunication of dates. It has been settled that the Conference will be June 17-20, 2013 in Bend @ Riverhouse. For 2014 we will be back at Bend @ Riverhouse June 16-19, 2014. 2015 Takes us back to Eugene and the Valley River Inn. And we are only penciled in at Valley River for 2016 as it is dependent upon the Olympic Trials being held in town. This years theme is "Journey to a New Beginning" graphics will be handled between Salem Keizer and Greater Albany.....perhaps a little contest.

Speakers- Steven has gotten a few Speakers already.*Michael Elliott he does a presentation on how the State School Fund works. Steven mentioned that since this is his last meeting someone needs to follow up on the PDS series and see how the billing of those classes and speakers work with our membership in NAPT. Chris Moore as a possible Keynote Speaker was a thought. There is maybe a possibility of a presentation on the Gray Summit School Bus Crash from Miss. People like the Forums so those are going to say and we will try to have the Mech. Workshop in the Bend/Redmond Shop. Pete Meslin does a presentation o IDEA and how to train student to get off SPED and onto Public Transportation. TJ will attend the next meeting.

Melinda S from Seon is very interested in setting up a Golf Tournament.

Legislative – Steven – New law or LC, Legislative Concept in the works. ODE has OARs the 820's and will be changing the rule about reporting School Bus Drivers who test positive for drug results to the DMV and ODE. It shouldn't be a problem as have lots of support and Unions are on board initially.

Third party closed. No more Recertifications. People will have to retake the course in June. ODE sent out 384 Cd's to active School Bus Trainers and 317 have done something already. ODE is planning on using I-learn more as it worked so well. First off would be the Mechanic test and then maybe Assistant Trainers Test??? And then could be 3rd Party even... I-learn gives the ability to post training materials for certain groups.

ODE is recommending that Districts look at Board Policies as the OARs have changed and probably do not make sense anymore as written.

Poster – Mary – sent 4 posters to NAPT this fall. We got one winner from Sherwood High School in the CAD group. They are posted on the NAPT website. 2013 theme is “At my Stop, You Stop!” NW Chair is Paula Adams from Beaverton and SWV is Maggie Estes again.

Safety Exercise- State Exercise is going to be on June 1, 2013 and a request has been sent to Thurston High as it worked so well last year. Cindy Moran from Greater Albany to be Head Judge.

Web Report- Chris – not much really going on yet. Nobody volunteered to head up the Newsletter so having VERB disable the sign up link. Still need to look at getting a membership list up so members can check their status. Board discussed the use of Paypal so that members could sign up and pay online. We would be able to do that for membership, workshops, conferences, safety exercises, and maybe trade show. Lots of Districts use procurement cards and would make it easier and faster to do instead of going through billing departments with a live check. Chris is to do some looking to find out cost of set up and how much of a percentage we would lose to paypal for the cost of service. Chris has also started working on “Gallery” pictures of Conference, Rodeos, and Workshops

Old Business: Keith brought up how we had started doing a manual or timeline for the Conference. It would have what steps to take to accomplish each of the tasks. The Conference Committee agreed to take this on and try to have it put together by the time we arrive at conference. Janet/Kris/Keith will work on it.

New Business: Melinda S from Seon interested in attending NW SWV or State meetings to present product ideas and information.

Good of the Order- None at this time.

Future Meetings:

01/17/13 – Salem @ TBA Mary C will work on
03/21/13 – Portland @ TBA Teri B will work on
05/16/13 – Albany @ Cascade Grill
06/17/13 – Pre-Conference @ Riverhouse

Meeting Adjourned 12:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by: Keith Wright
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