

OREGON PUPIL  
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State Board of Directors  
January 23, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Denice Blake, Chris Ellison, Keith Wright, Cindy Moran, Kathy Houck, Kim Crabtree, Janet Mauldin, Teri Brady, David Farley, Cindy Sim, Sandi Miller, Deborah Maskal, and T.J. Crockett.

Members Missing:

Ryan Hahn, David Farley, and Michael Wiltfong.

Guest:

Philip Turner, Shawn Choruby, Rick Anthony, and Paula Henderson.

Call to order at 11:05 am at the Village Inn Restaurant, Tualatin, OR.

Minutes:

Read Minutes for the October meeting. They were approved as written.

Financial Report:

Kathy read Banking Summary for July 13 through January 22, 2014. The Register and Summary for 13-14 were reviewed. Both were approved by the board. \* A motion was made as to who will be on the Chase account. It would need to be the President, President Elect, and Past President. It would also have to be updated every two years when there is a change of positions. Concurrently it should be Denice B, Kim C, and Chris E. the motion was Approved.

Chapter Reports:

**Northwest:** Cindy S. – discussed having to look for a different location for the 5.3.14 Safety Exercise. Had a roundtable discussion afterwards look at Crisis Management. The summer workshop will be 08/05/14 through 08/08/14, location TBA. Poster chair is coming up with Sound bites we can send to Chris E. who will post to the you-tube account and link to the website. The winter workshop schedule is set.

**South Willamette Valley:** Cindy M. – Winter workshop is at Springfield High on 2/22/14. Registration is out and the agenda is Love logic with Breakout sessions. Poster Denice B says not much going on. talked about doing awards for the school or the classroom teacher and changing up the letter. Safety Ex David F is chair Matt K is

*Head Judge. Fee was raised \$5.00 to go to National Safety Exercise. Committee of Chris/ Diane/ Sandi to work out support for the winners. Membership is growing. A forum was held right after meeting in Albany shop. Next meetings 2.14 @ Salem Elmers and 3.14 @ Eugene Hole in the Wall.*

Committee Reports:

**Conference-** John Parry to be Keynote Speaker and Vicki Handy to be Thursday closing Speaker plus at least 1 class on Wednesday. Theme was chosen as “Coaching a Winning Team” Committee is trying to figure out cover. Michael McGee is a speaker and covers physicians and the new law. Oregon Impact to also present. Committee is asking board to raise fee for conference and Banquet. Comm. asked for thoughts from Board. Motion made and accepted for: \$30.00 for Banquet/\$35 if late  
\$130.00 for member conference/\$170.00 if late  
\$170.00 for non-member/\$210.00 if late  
Committee wants to look at classes and come up with outline/copy and a sign up sheet to submit for classroom credit. Some of the Tech classes could crossover to driver classes too. Committee would also like to explore idea of Bus Manufactures putting on presentation for what goes into making a yellow school bus. Eastern US having Manufactures doing a presentation at board meetings. Having only the 1 company there at a time so as to not give other manufactures any trade secrets.....  
Committee will check with vendors to donate \$50-\$500.00 to cover part of breaks.

**Speakers-** T.J. will be working this area again.

**Legislative –** T.J. talked about BTW registration going out through I-learn. Soon ODE would be sending out request for drug testing information for House Bill 93. They are trying to make it electronic. Districts with Contracts would have more forms, ie..Portland Proper and Portland First Student. Contractor gets one and District one also. They both would have to be signed by the District Super Intendant.

**Poster –** Ryan Hahn to take the Poster Contest Chair. He will ask Mary C. of N. Clack to assist. NW Poster is contacting media outlets to get requirements out. Chris E to send Ryan last year form to update. Use the Super In. line to get out from ODE.

**Safety Exercise-** Cindy M. - State Exercise at Summit High in Bend on 5.31.14. Need help with Judges on the East side. Cindy M to be the Head judge and Chair. Transit buses from Maybe Eugene, Conventional from Bend, Mini PPS – 2 for Pre-Trip and Albany for 4 on course, all to be Type A.

**Web Report-** Chris – Awards need to get up. Committee needs to talk. This is an Election year for President Elect, a Past President, and Director at Large. (will need time at conference to Nominate, Nominee talk, and Swear in)

Old Business: OPTA lapel pins in a basket to give out at Registration desk?

New Business: Paula/Rick from PEMCO Ins. gave a talk about Educators with Pemco they offer Home/Auto/RV/Boat/Renters/ Umbrella policies. They also provide scholarship. Sponsor Washington Conferences, Sponsor some teacher projects in classrooms. They are a Not for Profit company. They take 4 – 5 minutes to explain to drivers about products. Not to sell at district transportation office.

Philip Turner from Micro Bird/Girardin was present. He will be back on March 20<sup>th</sup>. He is having a Open House at Western Bus Sales showcasing Propane Buses. Phil gives a (video) tour of plant and how buses are built. Shawn asked if we could move the March Meeting to Western to be able to go to Open House. Board did approve the move of meeting to Western.

**Good of the Order-** none at this time.

Future Meetings: @ 11:00 am. Usually the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month

05/30/14 – Bend – Black Bear Diner – Moved due to Rodeo

06/16/14 – Pre-Conference @ Riverhouse 09:00am

Meeting Adjourned 1:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by: Keith Wright

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