

OREGON PUPIL
TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION, INC.
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South Willamette Chapter

Date: January 8, 2008
Location: Brownsville, Pioneer Villa
Meeting Called to Order: 10.30 am
Members Present: Ron Albers, Chris Ellison, L.D. Ellison, Cindy Sim, John Shafer
Deborah Maskal, Cindy Moran, Tom Saddler, Delwin Louks, Carl Salstrom
Wilbur Starr, Michael Severyn, John Van Winkle, Janet Mauldin

Previous Minutes: Minutes from the last meeting were handed out. Minutes accepted

Financial Report: Balance stands at \$7973.18. Finances accepted. There are deposits still to be made. \$675 sent to State

Committee Reports

Chris Ellison opened the meeting with the news that Pat Green has stepped down as President. Chris has moved into the Presidents seat, leaving the Vice chair open. Announcement of this is to be made to all members. Nominations and election will be held at the February meeting. A motion was made to accept the resignation, 2nd, all in favor, motion carried. Criteria will be looked into. Tabled until next meeting.

State Board: Chris Ellison reported:

The OPTA conference Dues and fees structure.

- Membership fees based on Enrollment by district?

Changing State Bi-Laws to change the Presidents one year term to two, this will give the position more consistency.

A volunteer committee was put together to talk about this.

Matt Kutcher, David Phillips, Chris Ellison Deborah Lincoln

2 NW Chapter members – 1 SW Chapter, Mike Severyn

Chris asked for ideas on the subject and was given many.

- A six year term is to much to ask and increases odds for vacancy
- Cut term to one year pre, two year present, and one year post -4 year term
- Put together a past President advisory committee to help new Presidents and cover the every other year shortage on jobs that the Presidents are given
- Why mess with something that's not broke?

Safety Exercise – State level

- Could each chapter pick up lodging cost for their people?
- SW proposes: 2 to 4 people. A per diem of a certain amount to cover lodging and food
- \$100.00 each, \$75 lodging \$25 food Maximum amount
- Receipt required for payment
- Limited to the core group of set up people and head judge
 - If SW gets on board with this we will ask for a motion at the Feb. meeting.

Motor coach problems brought up. A committee has been set up drafting new rules.

Mike Shields shared his trip to Michigan

Dues set for conference - \$110 members, \$150 non-members. May 31st is the last day to register, after that \$10 more, late charge.

Bill Lashboh - National Conference (NAPT) Looking at Portland for 2010

He will be touring different facilities and give a report on best locations.

Poster Contest: Carl gave report: Theme this year – Avoid Harm, Obey the Arm

Co – Chairs are TJ – NW Chapter, Carl – SW Chapter

April 4th is the deadline. Awards will be given in cash.

They will be updating the Web site and making sure all the Districts are informed, including State ODE

Safety Exercise: Location: Lebanon River Center (formally Wal – Mart) May 3rd, 2008

Cut off date for registration April 18th, Fax or On-line to Tom Saddler
NW Chapter: Looking at MT. Hood, May 17th, 2008
State: Redmond, June 7th, 2008

Sunshine: Chris E. is checking on plaques for Jim Harris.

Education: Albany offering a First Aid class January 21st, 2008 8am – 3 pm
Chain up in snow class February 18th, 8am – 4
Salem; CORE mid-day Wed., Thursday, Friday, E-mail Carl S. for dates and times

Winter Workshop: Time has run to short and with the loss of several speakers the RXR vs. BUS has been canceled until next year. Looking at February 21st 2009. This will still be worked on throughout the year. Claudia Howells – Operation Lifesaver will be contacted, L.D. – Salvage and Remains, Mike S. Contacting railroad in Cascade.
A committee has been formed to work on the Winter Workshop; the goal is to have everything prepared by the next meeting. (Chris Ellison, Debra Maskal, Tom Saddler, L.D. Ellison, Cindy Moran)

- Student Management is the new topic. Nancy Blackwelder Key note speaker?!
- Still need two or three more speakers for breakout sessions.
- Lunches provided by Salem-Keizer
- Doughnuts and coffee – Lebanon
- Sweet Home – Trinket sales, and additional drinks

Membership: We now have 27% of our potential membership, that’s up from last year. 67 members

Old Business

By-laws:

New Business

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For the Good-of-the-Order

State responded well to the golf tournament being revived. A new trophy may have to be purchased.

Future Meetings:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Topic</u> |
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| October 9, Tuesday | McKenzie School District (Finn Rock?) | General Housekeeping; set Drivers' Winter Workshop date & location; set Safety Exercise date & location |
| November 13, Tuesday | Pioneer Restaurant, Brownsville | TBD |
| December 11, Tuesday | Almost Home Restraint, Salem | State of the State’s Pupil Transportation |
| January 8, Tuesday | Pioneer Restaurant, Brownsville | Winter Workshop |
| February 12, Tuesday | Pioneer Restaurant, Brownsville | Winter Workshop finalized |
| March 11, Tuesday | Pioneer Restaurant, Brownsville | Safety Exercise |
| April 8, Tuesday | Pioneer Restaurant, Brownsville | Nominate New Officers (Pres/VP/St. Rep/Treas); judge Poster Contest |
| May 13, Tuesday | TBD (Central Oregon?) | Elect Officers (Pres/VP/St. Rep/Treas) |
| June 24, Tuesday | Welch’s OR Inn at the Resort | Install New Officers (Pres/VP/St. Rep/Treas) |

Meeting Adjourned: 12:25 pm

Next Meeting Date: February 12th 10:30 – 12:30

Next Meeting Location: Brownsville, Pioneer Villa Restaurant