

OREGON PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

A non-profit organization



South Willamette Chapter

Date: Friday May 14th, 2010

Location: Boston's, Bend OR

Meeting Called to Order: 11:05 am

Members: Chris Ellison, Carl Salstrom, Tom Saddler, Cindy Moran, Denise Blake, Diane Clinkscales, Teresa Cook, LD Ellison, Patricia Green, Cheryl Hicks, Deborah Maskal, Sue McAdam, Vurlee Nab-Alexander, Tim O'Connell, Kay Saddler, Michael Shields, Dave Voiles

Previous Minutes: Deborah moved the minutes from the April meeting be approved, Vurlee 2nd.

Financial Report: Tom passed around financial report.
Beginning balance: 4/12/2010 – 19,804.77
Inflow \$2,770.25
Outflow \$-4,872.95
Ending balance 5/13/2010 – \$17,714.07
Bank charges - \$-12.00
Total balance \$17,702.07

Tom discussed the extra bank charge this month. This happens when we exceed the number of free transactions (checks write/deposited) within a calendar month. It does not happen very often but could be eliminated by spreading our deposited checks over 2/3 months rather than all together. It would help if we had an earlier announcement for Winter Workshop so the money would come in earlier.

Tom asked that members e-mail Tom about how they would like the financial report. Quarterly, annually he can do it either way. Carl asked that we have a comparison page from the previous year, especially when there is an event.

Checks do not have to be posted individually, by district is good.

Patty moved to approve the financial report, Deborah 2nd

Committee Reports

State Board: The State board meeting on April 23rd was a long one. The NAPT conference was the main topic. OPTA has a huge role in the planning and attendance. Please be available the end of October into November to help. The support we are giving is much more than Kentucky gave. Chris accepted the co-chair position and Michael is co-chair for the workshops. Rodin Biden is co-chair for speakers.

So far the speakers are the chief financial officer for Dunlar-Chrysler / Freightliner and Matt Rolof from Little People Big World. There are a ton of great workshops to bring your drivers to. The board is working on an all encompassing pass. This will allow one person to go everyday or let someone different go each day. Michael sent a tablet around to get ideas of what kind of workshops everyone would like to see. There will be between 35 to 50 workshops. If you have an idea or someone you know has a great idea on drivers, supervisors, trainers etc... Contact Michael Shields at [SHIELDS MICHAEL@salkeiz.k12.or.us](mailto:SHIELDS_MICHAEL@salkeiz.k12.or.us).

Benefits to joining NAPT - \$2500 to join

- Help plan summer conference
- Online registration

- Speakers provided (2or3)
- Webinars with great information 1 or 2 a month

Question to Tom: Do we belong to any other organizations? NASDPT, focuses on legislation and LED Leading Everyday Initiative, provide certifications on programs you pursue.

? Would the \$2500 be shared by NW, SWV and State OPTA?

All diesel busses must be retrofitted by 2017 to meet criteria. Tom will e-mail private schools that may not have heard this yet.

Carl – State Safety Exercise in Salem at Morning Star Church in Salem, the location is secure and insurance binder set.

Chris gave a reminder of summer conference this June at Valley River Center. The agenda will be ready soon; Steven is finishing the last details.

Poster Contest: Four posters are to be judged. They are all from the same school. Tom is going to send all the kids a certificate for participating. There were some posters sent to tom and Kay that were not from our chapter so Tom sent them back to the NW Chapter.

Safety Exercise: Grants Pass was a success. 82 competed this year at the SW Rodeo: that was more than last year. There were a number of different districts: Eagle Point, Grants Pass, Nestucca, Springfield, Eugene, Salem, and Albany.

There were some surprises:

- 1) The numbers of drivers for the different busses: 54 transits, 17 conventional and 9 minis.
- 2) One of the transits was pulled due to differences, another was added later.
- 3) The surprise event slowed the operation; should there be a time limit? A 2nd stall?
- 4) 3rd party testers judged this event so every time there was a change of judges they had to stop and train the new one.

An idea for next years summer conference is a rodeo set up as a workshop. This will help the districts to know the set up and have better practice areas.

Valley River paid Operation Lifesaver to set up and offer safety training for kids. We will be looking into doing this for School bus safety and also promoting the poster contest.

Tom brought up a discussion on limiting the number of drivers to compete at the SW safety exercise to 6 per district. This would help with the time of the event; this last SE took an average of 45 minutes for each contestant. Discussion

- We do rely on the income
- Great camaraderie for all the drivers
- Site space – need to look at the size, we don't have to have all 10 events we can limit it to only 5.
- Thrilled with the event this year, the barrels being the last event and next to the crowd was awesome. Cheering and rooting for each other!! Very Positive!!
- Only 6 people allowed to compete is one third of the smaller fleet, may not be fair for the larger districts
- 1st year the ODE did a driving event, held up the event
- Carl will send out an e-mail of the course for the contestants to study. May help with time

Trinket sales were good even though the position was not the best. They deposited \$1700

Sunshine: Beautiful day in Bend.
Dan Henry lost his wife. Vurlee will send a card.

Education: Albany will be holding classes in August. Salem is having a CORE class in May, First aid only June 18th. Patty has CORE June 14th and First Aid June 24th.
Denice has a new set up for the propane busses, she invited any one that would like to see it to come on over.
The next OPTA Forum will be in October. Steven is looking into doing something along these lines at this summer conference.

Winter Workshop: 205 DVD's from the 2009 Winter Workshop has been mailed. 10 are in the ODE library. Steven did receive a phone call that one did not work. If you have problems let him know.

Membership: Membership is at 60%, with 117 members.

Old Business: Elections: After a review of "Roberts rules of Order" the incumbents do not need a nomination to run again.

Chris Ellison – President

Chris is willing to run again. No other nominations on the floor, Tom moved to close nominations, Deborah 2nd. Tom moved Chris is President for the 2010-2011 year by acclimation.

Carl Salstrom – Vice President

Carl is willing to run again. No other nominations on the floor, Tom moves to close nominations, Vurlee 2nd. Deborah moved Carl is Vice-President for the 2010-2011 year by acclimation.

Marty Hopper – Chapter Representative to State Board (2 year term)

Marty is willing to run again. Michael Shields nominates Denice Blake.
Tom moved to close nominations, Patty 2nd.

Tom Saddler – Treasure (2 year term)

Tom is willing to run again. Vurlee Nab-Alexander nominates Deborah Maskal
Janet Mauldin was nominated by Michael Shields at the last meeting, she withdrew her nomination.

Cindy moved to close nominations, Tom 2nd.

Closed ballot voting – Winners:

Chapter Representative – Denice Blake
Treasure – Deborah Maskal

Chris thanked Tom for the last four years as treasure he did an excellent job.

Michael proposed the chapter give certificates to Tom and Marty for their years of service.

Kay motioned that that ballots be destroyed, Patty 2nd.

New Business: Tom asked for an audit after June statement. Patty, Michael and Denice were nominated to take care of this. The statements will be available after July 10th.
The signers on the checking account will be Chris Ellison, Carl Salstrom and Deborah Maskal after the change of positions effective July 1, 2010.
Patricia Green and Tom Saddler will be removed from the account.

Everyone will be available in July to make the necessary changes. This is a corporate change at US Bank and is so noted in the minutes.

Carl – Starting next meeting we should look at the Bi-laws to make sure we are following them and that ours are how we want them to read. He asked that Cindy Moran bring a copy of the bi-laws for everyone at our next meeting.

For the Good-of-the-Order

Future Meetings:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>
October 13, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	General Housekeeping; set Drivers' Winter Workshop date & location; set Safety Exercise date & location
November 10, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	State of the State's Pupil Transportation
December 8, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop
January 12, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop
February 9, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop/Safety Exercise
March 9, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Safety Exercise
April 13, Tuesday	Almost Home, Salem	Nominate New Officers
May 14, Friday	Bostons, Bend	Elect Officers
June 22, Tuesday	Valley River Inn, Eugene	Install New Officers

Meeting Adjourned: 1:34 pm

Next Meeting Date: June 23rd

Next Meeting Location: Valley River Inn, Eugene OR