

**OREGON PUPIL
TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION, INC.**
A non-profit organization



South Willamette Chapter

Date: May 13th, 2011

Location: Boston's, Bend

Meeting Called to Order: Chris Ellison, 11:00

Members: Chris Ellison, Carl Salstrom, Cindy Moran, Kevin Baker, Diane Clinkscales, Deborah Maskal, Vurlee Nab-Alexander, Tim O'Connell, Michael Shields, Denice Blake, LD Ellison, Michael Shields, Patty Greene, Kris Freeman, Shawn Choruby, Dottie Clark, Dave Voiles, Dan Wood

Previous Minutes: Carl moved to approve with corrections. Tim 2nd, motion carried.

Financial Report: Beginning balance: \$13,410.64 See handouts given by Deborah
Inflow: \$00.0
Outflow: \$-1352.95
Balance: \$12,057.69

Committee Reports

State Board: Chris Ellison reported the next State Board meeting is next week at the Claim Jumper Restaurant in Tualatin.

Another bill on transportation funding was brought to our attention. It is house bill 36-22. It has been recommended that we stay active to stop this bill.

Summer Conference is shaping up nicely. The schedule is on the OPTA website. The speakers are not listed in case of changes but the subjects will not change. Diane and Vurlee are giving a class on the head start program. There will be 4 different forums. We tried to line up the schedule so everyone would be able to go to the classes they want, not have them overlap.

There is a mechanics competition this year, 8-12 on Tuesday. It's like a mini safety exercise with a written and hands on portion. A question came up about the cost to compete. Do you have to be registered? It is expensive to pay that cost if they are not going to the conference. This will be looked at.

Poster Contest: Kevin brought in the posters to be voted on after the meeting. The winners in each category will be taken to the summer conference for final voting.

Safety Exercise: The numbers of contestants are down this year, we believe due to budget. At this time we have 63 registered. Everything is a go; Chris will be stopping by Thurston on the way home to check on things.

The Kawanas are doing the BBQ and Brattain has offered to pay up to \$200 for the judge's lunches.

Chris asked that we give a special recognition to Ken Dorsey for all he does for us; he has been an integral part of the rodeo year in and year out.

The trailer still needs to be outfitted. OPTA's insurance carrier declined to insure it due to the different vehicles pulling it is not rated to tow this trailer. We will not be using it on Saturday.

Sunshine: Vurlee will be sending cards to; Colby Blagg who lost his father

Education: No classes are being given at this time

Winter Workshop: At the last meeting we talked about Allen Bean wanting to produce another film on resolutions that could have taken place on the bus. He has agreed to pay the full amount of \$2500, and Chris has dropped his acting fee. In-lieu of payment we get to use the film for our trainings also. All the districts will get a copy.

The SW trailer still needs to be outfitted. The insurance carrier that OPTA uses has denied carrying it due to the different vehicles that pull it. This will be looked into.

Membership: At this time we have 84 paid members and 5 honorary members.

Old Business: Voting for the open positions have been postponed until October

New Business: It was brought to the attention of Chris Ellison that the bylaws are not being followed. This is because they were written in 1982. For the last 13 years SW OPTA has been going by the State bylaws. Chris was able to find a copy of the 1982 bylaws and it is very evident they need to be amended.

Roberts Rules say we follow State bylaws along with having our own set of organized laws, since it has been so long and language does not parallel states it has been decided to set a committee together that will get together to reorganize them.

Chris asked for volunteers for the committee. Patty Greene, Vurlee Nab-Alexander, Tim O’Connell, and Chris Ellison will make up the committee.

LD moved to postpone the vote until the bylaws are cleaned up by conference in June.

The officers in place will continue their positions until October. The nominations and voting will take place then. Denice seconded and the motion carried.

For the Good-of-the-Order

Future Meetings:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>
October 12, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	General Housekeeping; set Drivers' Winter Workshop date & location; set Safety Exercise date & location
November 9, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	State of the State’s Pupil Transportation
December 14, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop
January 11, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop
February 8, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Winter Workshop/Safety Exercise
March 8, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Safety Exercise
April 12, Tuesday	Cascade Grill, Albany / 11:00 am	Nominate New Officers
May 13, Friday	Bostons, Bend	Elect Officers
June 21, Tuesday	Valley River Inn, Eugene	Install New Officers

Meeting Adjourned: 1:00 pm

Next Meeting Date: June 21, 2011

Next Meeting Location: Valley River Inn, Eugene