

**Oregon Fire District Directors Association
May 21, 2016**

MINUTES

President Dennis Rogers called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A quorum was present:

Present:

Dennis Rogers, President
Mark Kreutzer, Immediate Past President
John Dunn
Gary Ollerenshaw
Carol Smith
Don Thompson
Kevin VanDyke

Not Present:

Eldon Marcum
Spike Piersol

Staff:

Jessica Carpenter
Genoa Ingram
Laureal Williams

Guests:

Steve Silva, WHA

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of the March 19, 2016, Board meeting.

MOTION: Moved by Mark Kreutzer and seconded by John Dunn to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2016, meeting as presented. **Motion passed**

Financial Report

Jessica Carpenter reviewed the current financials sharing that membership dues are approximately \$14,000 short of budget at this time but we anticipate some additional dues to come in between now and the fall conference. Overall, income and expenses are in-line with the approved budget. Staff did point out that with the return to the full 2.5 day conference that both the conference income and expenses will increase this year over the budgeted figures but should bring close to the same net income.

Guest Reports

OFCA Report – No report.

DPSST Report – Written report submitted by Director Eriks Gabliks. (EXHIBIT ON FILE)

Insurance Update – Steve Silva, WHA, provided an update on current and upcoming SDAO/OFDDA 2016 trainings.

Oregon Fire Service Museum – Laureal Williams reported that the Museum plans to break ground on the Phase 1 building, which can be expanded at a later date.

President's Report

OFCA Meeting President Rogers reported that he had attended the OFCA Conference at Eagle Crest and had given a report.

Staff Report

LOSAP – Laureal Williams reported on recent LOSAP transactions including a recap on forfeitures. Adair RFPD has filed its plan, and she has been working with TVF&R, Washington County FD #2, and Newberg Fire as they try to determine the best approach to maintaining the entities' LOSAP programs as they departments/districts move towards an intergovernmental agreement. She also reported on a situation where a Chief has signed a LOSAP Distribution for a volunteer who had not separated from service. VALIC did not catch the error and the funds were distributed.

Legislative – Genoa Ingram provided information regarding voter registration as a result of “motor voter”. She also reported on efforts to capture transient lodging tax funds to aid with rescue efforts, particularly in the coastal areas. **By consensus**, the Board agreed to support the effort.

Board Outreach – Genoa Ingram reminded the Board that she and Laureal Williams will be visiting a half dozen Boards in the Hermiston area on June 7. A legislative update and LOSAP overview has been requested.

Other – Genoa Ingram reported that OVFA had selected Jim Oeder to be its representative on the BPSST. Jim's Senate Confirmation hearing is scheduled for May 23 and she plans to attend.

Committee Reports

BPSST – Written report submitted by David Jones (EXHIBIT ON FILE).

Bylaws & Policies Committee – Mark Kreutzer reviewed proposed changes to policies including updating the Policy Index and revisions to policies 109, 114, and 131.

MOTION: Moved by John Dunn and seconded by Carol Smith to approve the suggested policy revisions as submitted. **Motion passed**

Governor's Fire Service Policy Council – Mark Kreutzer reported on issues being addressed by the Council including the LEDS county assigned apparatus numbering. He noted that funding would be an issue since it would cost to have the numbers changed. Another drawback is the delay in dispatching apparatus. The Council is also working on the Firefighter injury task force to determine the most common firefighter injuries. Due to HIPPA, it is difficult to gather information, but it is hoped that statistical data will help with preventing injuries. The Chair, Chief Les Holman of Newburg Fire, has invited fire service partners to bring any non-legislative issues forward. The new State Police/State Fire Marshal facility is scheduled to open next month. It is located on Keubler, just off Interstate 5.

Conference Committee – Jessica Carpenter discussed results of the evaluations which indicated that the Thursday – Saturday schedule was preferred over the shortened model used in 2015; the 2016, 2017, and 2018 venues have indicated that they are available to accommodate the 2.5-day schedule. Costs may increase slightly due to the location of the venue.

SDAO Legislative – President Rogers reported that the next meeting is scheduled for June 8.

NAEFO – Mark Kreutzer reported that he attended the CFSI meeting in Washington, D.C.; however, elected officials were on break and meetings were held with staff. Key talking points including funding of SAFER and fire grants, GEMT legislation, and allowance of FEMA funds for large conflagrations.

Nominations Committee – No report.

Fire & Life Safety – John Dunn summarized the handouts from the Fire and Life Safety Committee and discussed how to disseminate information on available resources to member districts. John also reported that the OSFM was running low on funds to supply smoke detectors to districts. If districts have not installed the number of units allocated, the OSFM may request them back for redistribution.

Property Committee – Staff reported on recommendations from the Property Committee regarding replacement of the light fixtures in the building. Board members reviewed recommendations from the Property and Committee and, after consulting with Past President Don Trotter, suggested that staff secure two bids for LED lighting and submit those bids to the Property Committee.

Ambassador Committee – Jessica Carpenter reported that OVFA has an ambassador program that may be used as a template for OFDDA, including an ambassador table at Conference.

Budget Committee – No report.

Vacant Lands Committee – No report. (Mark Kreutzer had previously reported that legislation on this issue is anticipated for the 2017 session from OFCA.)

Past Presidents Committee – Past Presidents had responded positively regarding OFDDA shirts and Bylaws are being revised to modify Past President participation in the Association.

Strategic Plan

The Board reviewed the Strategic Plan and made recommended changes to timelines and performance objectives. The revised Plan will be forwarded to the Board for review prior to posting on the web page.

New Business

SB 1513 John Dunn reported on implementation of SB 1513 by Linn County. Linn County is positioned to be the first County to implement the legislation and the Board of Commissioners plans to make a decision on June 21 at 9:30 a.m.

Active Shooter Drill Gary Ollerenshaw reported that while the Redmond airport runways were being repaved, the fire district was able to utilize the facility for active shooter training.

Transport Rates Gary Ollerenshaw reported on an increase in transport rates, reimbursement policies and how to maximize returns.

Board Member Resignation Carol Smith reported that she was relocating to Arizona and this would be her last OFDDA Board meeting.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 16, 10:00 a.m.

Adjourn

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 12:14 p.m.