

**OCEAN Annual Meeting**  
**Canby Grove, OR**  
**May 4, 2010 @ 7:00<sup>PM</sup>**

**Attendance:**

**Wasco County**

Karen Lamson  
Kate Merrick  
Ryan Bessette  
Shilah Olson

**East Multnomah**

Jean Fike  
Julie DiLeone  
Kathy Shearin  
Lissa Adams

**Lincoln**

Josh Lambert  
Robin Koeller  
Stacy Polkowske  
Tanya Jorgenson

**Polk**

Nato Pacios-Rivera  
Lisa Reiley  
Nathan Slaven

**Baker Valley**

Josh Uriarte

**Douglas**

Walt Barton

**Malheur County**

Linda Rowe

**Lakeview FRSL**

Susan Mungarro  
Nancey Pennington

**Benton**

Teresa Matteson

**Harney**

Marty Suter

**Monument**

Ashley Mund

**Umpqua**

Laura Smith

**Tualatin**

Judy Marsh  
Lacey Townsend

**Marion**

Jane Keppinger  
Susan Ortiz

**Morrow**

Janet Greenup  
Merilee McDowell

**Clackamas County**

Clair Klock  
Eann Rains  
Jason Faucera  
Jenne Reische  
Jeremy Baker  
Lisa Bucy

**Wallowa**

Lisa Mahon

**Columbia**

Malyssa Page

**Curry County**

Liesl Coleman

**Pacific NCDEA Rep**

Carolyn Kelly

**NCDEA President**

Connie Richmeier

**Clatsop**

Dave Ambrose  
Misty Metcalf-Ogier

**Nikke Cerra**

Sam Leininger

Meeting was called to order by Chair Jane Keppinger. After an overview of the meeting agenda, discussion of the proposed Association name change and revised by-laws ensued.

Janet Greenup filled in as Secretary for the first half of the meeting in the absence of elected Secretary Autumn Bryant.

Name Change: Chair Keppinger asked for a vote on the proposed name change and asked for a show of hands.

Oregon Conservation District Employee Association (OCDEA) - 2 votes.

Oregon Conservation Employee's Association Network (OCEAN)-received a majority.

By-laws: After discussion a motion was made by Walt Barton, second by Marty Suter to vote on the proposed by-laws changes with all reference to OCDEA removed. Motion passed unanimously.

Board of Directors Election: Basin Representatives. Jane stated that if only one name is nominated for the individual positions, upon agreement to serve by the nominee, that nominee will be considered elected.

North Coast: Malyssa Page-Columbia SWCD

Lower Willamette: Jeremy Baker-Clackamas SWCD

Upper Willamette: Stacy Polkowske-Lincoln SWCD

SW Oregon: Walt Barton-Douglas SWCD

Deschutes: Shilah Olson-Wasco County SWCD

High Desert: Marty Suter-Harney SWCD; Nancey Pennington-Lakeview/Ft. Rock

John Day/Umatilla: Janet Greenup-Morrow SWCD

Snake Basin: Lisa Mahon-Wallowa SWCD

At Large A: Laura Smith- Umpqua SWCD

At Large B: Laurie Owens-Baker SWCDs

At Large C: Jason Faucera-Clackamas SWCD

A motion was made by Lisa Bucy, seconded by Lissa Adams to accept the Basin Representatives and At-Large nominees as elected except for High Desert. Motion passed unanimously.

A show of hands was used to elect the representative for High Desert.

Marty Suter-18 votes;

Nancey Pennington-3 votes.

Marty Suter was elected.

Election of Officers: Members were reminded that officers must be nominated from the list of Basin and At-Large Representatives.

President: Marty Suter nominated Walt Barton. Lissa Adams nominated Jeremy Baker. Walt respectfully withdrew his name from consideration citing the inability to commit the time necessary to be an effective President. A

motion was made by Lissa Adams and seconded by Jean Fike to elect Jeremy Baker as President. Motion passed unanimously.

Vice President: Jeremy Baker nominated Laurie Owens. Jeremy withdrew his nomination after discussion that Laurie isn't present and isn't able to give her commitment. Jeremy then nominated Jason Faucera. It was moved by Ron Graves and seconded by Jeremy to elect Jason as Vice-Chair. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary: Lisa Mahon was nominated by Jeremy. A motion was made by Jeremy and seconded by Walt to elect Lisa Mahon secretary. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer: Janet Greenup was nominated by Marty Suter. A motion was made by Jean Fike and seconded by Marty Suter to elect Janet Greenup as Treasurer. Motion passed unanimously.

Newly elected President Jeremy Baker took over the meeting and Secretary Lisa Mahon took over as Secretary for the remainder of the meeting.

501c3: A committee was formed to continue to work towards 501c3 status: Jane Keppinger, Walt Burton, Janet Greenup, and Lissa Adams. OCEAN has a Federal ID number and has revised the bylaws, but there are many more steps that need to be taken. It will take 6 months to a year for the process to be complete. The committee will keep the board updated on progress. The next annual meeting will be at Connect 2011. The next officers meeting will be at the October OACD Convention. Walt suggested a more formal communication setup and Sam suggested quarterly reports to everyone about what is happening in the Basins. The basin leaders will give quarterly updates about their Basin. A standard form to fill out for quarterly updates and a stand-alone website are two great ways to improve communication.

Connect 2011: The SWCC will be having a board meeting in August. That would be the time for the Budget and Finance committee to give a presentation on Connect 2011 and OCEAN in order to secure funding for next year. Connect 2010 was funded by OWEB, SWCC, and registration fees. The goal for 2011 is \$30,000. The Budget and Finance Committee, consisting of Jackie Hastings,

Dick Springer, Janet Greenup, and Marty Suter, will be in charge of reaching out to sources for funding.

The Public Relations and Outreach Committee is Jason Faucera, Lacey Townsend, Lisa Bucy, Walt Burton, and Stacy Polkowske. This committee will be gathering information about OCEAN to send out, and developing a new logo and image for OCEAN. Anyone with suggestions for trainings, funding, or other needs within their District should contact OCEAN, and they will work on connecting that District with someone who can meet their needs.

The Soil and Water Conservation Society is always willing to help Districts with trainings. Please contact Teresa Matteson, Benton SWCD, if any Districts have training requests for SWCS. They are also very interested in reaching out with Conservation Education.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was given. There is \$6,619.41 in the account. The 2010 budget has been approved. A new temporary budget will be approved in October for January to June 2011. At the next annual meeting (Connect 2011) a budget for July 2011 to June 2012 will be approved.

With no further business Jason Faucera moved to adjourn the meeting. Judy Marsh seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.