

## OCEAN Annual Meeting

Kah-nee-ta Resort, Warm Springs, Oregon

April 26, 2011 @ 7:00PM

Laurie Owens-Baker County SWCDs	Tom Salzer-Clackamas SWCD	Merilee McDowell-Morrow SWCD
Whitney Collins-Baker County SWCD	Marlene Lloyd-Clackamas SWCD	John Byers-ODA
Josh Uriarte-Baker County SWCD's	Malysa Page-Columbia SWCD	Jackie Hastings-Polk SWCD
Wes Morgan-Baker County SWCD's	Walt Barton-Douglas SWCD	Debbie Miller-Polk SWCD
Jenny Ayotte-Benton SWCD	Jean Fike-East Multnomah SWCD	Karla Sanders-Self Employed
Jeremy Baker-Clackamas SWCD	Marty Suter-Harney SWCD	Krista Coelsch-Sherman SWCD
Lisa Bucy-Clackamas SWCD	Angela Boudro-Jackson SWCD	Judy Marsh-Tualatin SWCD
Jason Faucera-Clackamas SWCD	Paul Showalter-Jackson SWCD	Lacey Townsend-Tualatin SWCD
Sam Leininger-Clackamas SWCD	TJ Woodley-Klamath SWCD	Laura Smith-Umpqua SWCD
Clair Clock-Clackamas SWCD	Stacy Polkowske-Lincoln SWCD	Shilah Olson-Wasco SWCD
Jenne Reische-Clackamas SWCD	Gary Faw-Malheur SWCD	Karen Lamson-Wasco SWCD
Eann Rains-Clackamas SWCD	Janet Greenup-Morrow SWCD	Lisa Mahon-Wallowa SWCD

- The meeting was called to order by the President, Jeremy Baker at 7:02PM.
- **Officer Elections**
  - Deschutes Basin: Shilah Olson was nominated by Marty Suter. Jackie Hastings seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
  - John Day/Umatilla Basin: Janet Greenup was nominated by Lisa Bucy. Marlene Lloyd seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
  - Lower Willamette Basin: Jeremy Baker was nominated by Jackie Hastings. Judy Marsh seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
  - At Large A: Josh Uriarte was nominated by Lisa Bucy. Tom Salzer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
  - At Large B: TJ Woodley was nominated by Jackie Hastings. Lisa Bucy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- **Financial Report**
  - Janet reported that OCEAN has a balance of \$7,504.29 with 52 paid members for 2011.
- **Partner Roundtable Meetings**
  - John Byers reported that the *Partners Roundtable* meetings were cancelled because of a lack of people available, legislature issues, and funding for travel budgets. They will be rescheduled later this year.
- **501c3 Committee**
  - The paper work for the 501c3 is ready to go to the state. The committee is waiting on the necessary bylaw changes and the required adoption of Articles of Incorporation.
  - Other state associations recommended not having the term Employee in the name of the association. This does not affect the chances of getting approved for 501c3, but can limit what the association is allowed to do. A suggested name was "Oregon Conservation Education Assistance Network". This would also keep

away the fear from outsiders that this is an employee union. This will be further discussed as the mission statement is developed for the association.

- The bylaws do need updated so Jeremy volunteered to be the head of the Bylaws committee to get it moving. Paul Showalter will also be added to the committee.

➤ **Facilitated Work Session**

- Jeremy spoke with Larry Ojua and Karla Sanders about a facilitated workshop. Jeremy wants the members to know that there is a possibility of this for the board and that it will have costs associated with it.
- This workshop will finalize changes to bylaws, articles of incorporation, develop a mission statement, and set long term goals. After the workshop everything approved by the board will go to the members to review and comment on. The members will have the final vote to adopt anything the board develops.
- TJ Woodley motioned to add a line item to the budget for Capacity Building, so we have approved funds for capacity building activities. Jackie Hastings seconded the motion and passed unanimously. \$1,450 was moved from Scholarship to Capacity Building.
- Lisa Bucy motioned to have OCEAN pursue funding from NRCS, OACD, and other sources for capacity building. Jason Faucera seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- Marty Suter suggested contacting Jubitz about funding. Other suggestions were Meyer Memorial Trust and Ford Foundation.

➤ **NCDEA Update**

- Jeremy gave an update on the national meeting that he attended. John Byers also talked about the importance of learning about other states models of how they function and are organized.

➤ **Connect**

- Lisa Mahon reported that Connect has some money left over in the budget that will be seed money for Connect 2012. Numbers were up in attendance and speakers this year.
- The group discussed who will be able to attend Connect in the future. The training was developed specifically for SWCD Employees only. There was discussion to allow OCEAN members that are not SWCD employees to attend. The policy will continue that no board members are allowed to attend. The overall consensus was to keep the rules the same for now and not partner on trainings at this point.

- Lisa Bucy motioned to close and TJ Woodley seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Lisa Mahon, OCEAN Secretary  
Wallowa SWCD