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**Membership Meeting**

**April 27, 2005**

**Canyonville, Oregon**

**Members Present:**

Steve Albert	Portland Office of Emergency Management
Dean Bender	Polk County Emergency Management
Dan Boss	City of Tualatin Emergency Management
George Buckingham	Klamath County Emergency Services - LEPC
Mike Curry	Jackson County Emergency Management
Mary Davis	Washington County Emergency Management
John DeFrance	Retired
Dara Decker	Union County Emergency Services
Tracy DePew	HRSA/AHEC
David Gassaway	American Red Cross, Oregon Trail Chapter
Rose Gentry	ODOT
Vicki Harguth	Columbia County Emergency Management
David Harrington	Portland Office of Transportation – Bureau of Maint.
Patty Hopkins	Portland Office of Emergency Management
Jim Howell	Linn County Emergency Management
Gene Juve	Clackamas County Emergency Management
Bert Kile	American Red Cross, Oregon Trail Chapter
Sharon Kennedy	City of Hillsboro Emergency Management
Barry Krieg	Oregon LEPC
Gene Juve	Clackamas County Emergency Management
Kevin Lapp	US Department of Energy
Bill Lennox	Amateur Radio
Mike Lueck	City of Tigard
Tom Manning	Tillamook County Emergency Management
Matt Marmor	Wallowa County Emergency Management
Daniel Martinez	Warm Spring Fire & Safety
Doug McGillivray	Multnomah County Emergency Management
Mark McKay	Lane County Emergency Management
Les Miller	US Army Corps of Engineers
Mike Mumaw	City of Beaverton Emergency Management
Steve Muir	Washington County Emergency Management
Ken Murphy	Director, Oregon Emergency Management
Sue Patterson	Washington County Emergency Management



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Teri Poet	Clackamas County Emergency Management
Scott Porter	Director, OCEM
Dana Robinson	Clackamas County Dept. of Homeland Security
Rodney Rogers	American Red Cross, Oregon Trail Chapter
Patty Rueter	Portland Office of Emergency Management
Roger Stevenson	City of Salem Emergency Management
Bill Thompson	Klamath County Emergency Management
Wayne Stinson	Douglas County Emergency Management
Gene Strong	Clatsop County Sheriff's Office
Lisa Thorpe	City of Tualatin
John VanderZanden	Marion County Emergency Management

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## **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by President Les Miller at 8:30 a.m.

## **Introductions:**

Les welcomed the group to the APWA/OEMA Joint Conference. Introductions were made around the room.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes of the membership meeting of February 17, 2005 were distributed. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes.

Motion to approve the minutes by Gene Strong.

Seconded by Tom Manning.

The minutes were approved unanimously.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's Report ending March 31, 2005 showing a balance of \$35,356.06 was distributed. Patty also provided a revenue and expense report for the year. There were no additions or corrections to the report.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Gene Juve.

Seconded by Kevin Lapp.

The Treasurer's Report was approved unanimously.



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## **OEM Report:**

Ken Murphy gave a detailed report on the status of several legislative bills. Ken asked the membership what OEM can do to lessen the workload of emergency managers. Ken is interested in ways to save time using technology. Send Ken your thoughts via e-mail.

Roger Stevenson asked Ken about the regionalization concept. Ken stated this will be revisited in the near future. He is tentatively looking at using regions already designated by the health community. If you have ideas regarding regionalization please send to Ken by August 1<sup>st</sup>. Ken stated regionalization is addressed in the National Preparedness Guidance. Gene Juve stated that we need regional governing during a disaster to make our plans work. There was further discussion by the group regarding this issue.

There was discussion regarding the recent EOC software purchase by OEM. The State will purchase the software for all counties for use during a disaster.

## **Old Business:**

### **Officer Elections:**

Ballots were passed out for those members who had not voted on-line. There was a call for nominations from the floor. John DeFrance nominated Patty Rueter for President Elect. After thoughtful consideration Patty declined the nomination at this time. She said that her employer could not support her election due to workload responsibilities associated with the TOPOFF exercise that Portland will possibly host in 2007. She would like to be considered at a future time for this position.

Election ballots were counted. Following are the results:

### **New Officers are:**

President	Rose Gentry
President-Elect	Linda Cook
Secretary	Mary Davis
Treasurer	Patty Hopkins

Officer terms are July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006.

### **Storage Facility:**

As previously discussed a storage facility is needed to store OEMA belongings.

Gene Juve moved that the Board be authorized to lease a 10 x 10 storage facility.  
2<sup>nd</sup> by David Harrington  
Approved unanimously.



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## **Award Presentation:**

Awards were presented in the following categories:

- Professional Development Series (PDS)
- Basic Applied Practices Series (BAPS)
- OEMA Years of Membership Pins
- OEMA Recognition Awards

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Bylaws – Scott Porter, Chair:**

Scott stated he is waiting to see if there are any recommendations from the Strategic Planning Committee as a result of the session held the previous day.

### **Information/Communications Technology – Tom Manning, Chair:**

The Amateur Radio plan is on the OEM website and waiting for review and adoption. There was discussion of the statewide reverse 9-1-1 capabilities. Ken Murphy stated these issues are being discussed at the federal level.

### **Legislative – Doug McGillivray, Chair:**

Doug suggested a few members work with OEM on the rewrite of HB 2049. Ken Murphy agreed. Ken also stated that he will notify the membership when it is appropriate to send letters to the legislature regarding certain bills. Les Miller stated that he had met with members of Senator Smith's office the previous day and they are interested in on-going updates of emergency management issues.

### **Membership – Jim Howell, Chair:**

Jim completed a survey of members and provided this information to the Board. His committee is looking at joint memberships, student membership, educational opportunities and other ways OEMA can promote membership.

### **Training – David Harrington, Chair:**

David discussed the training survey available at the registration desk. Please complete the survey to voice your opinion on the direction you would like the training committee to take. Your completed survey will enter you into a drawing.

### **ORCEMS – Rose Gentry, Board Liaison:**

Rose announced that two members would receive their ORCEMS certifications at the Friday awards lunch. They are David Gassaway, American Red Cross and Chris Hermann, CRESA. She stated that several OEMA members are working on completing this certification.



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**Strategic Planning Committee – Gene Juve, Patty Rueter, Mike Mumaw**

The committee shared the results of the previous day strategic planning session.

## **Suggested Current Work Plan Priorities**

### **1. Forums for peer interface**

#### **Deliverables**

- Annual conference
- Quarterly meetings
- Web-based services
- Professional Journal with peer review
- Forum Chapters

### **2. Advocate EM programs to State Agencies**

#### **Deliverables**

- Create a promotional briefing about OEMA
- Present briefing to target organizations
- Reorganize OEMA Liaison Program

## **Suggested Future Work Plans**

1. Support and facilitate the sharing of best practices.
2. Facilitate training related to EM profession.
3. Lead Advocate to our partner organizations.
4. Support and facilitate mentoring.

There was discussion regarding the outcome of the session and how best to address the top priorities. A Web Based Technical Committee was formed. Vicki Harguth volunteered to lead this committee Other volunteers are; Mike Murphy, Ken Murphy, Gene Strong and Mark McKay.

Motion to approve the strategic planning committee recommendations by David Harrington  
Seconded by David Gassaway.

Motion approved unanimously.

## **Liaison Reports:**

**APWA** – Mary Davis reported that we are working to link both organizations together as evidence of the conference this week. Several members that belong to both



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OEMA and APWA. Many of the sessions during the conference illustrate the partnership of public works and emergency management.

**DPWG** – Scott Porter discussed the recent round of grant reviews and awards. He stated there were 42 applications from 35 counties in Oregon. Scott said the group has been tasked with coming up with a strategy for statewide NIMS implementation guidance for local government. The group took the NIMS guidance developed by the Portland metro area group and is applying it to State agencies. Scott also mentioned the federal coordinated TOPOFF exercise that will be coming to the metro area in May 2007. Scott and others from Oregon observed the 2005 exercise held a few weeks ago on the east coast.

**ORVOAD** – Sue Patterson reported that she volunteered to complete a member directory for ORVOAD. The directory will list profiles of all the partners, plus contact information. This will be distributed in early June. She also shared that the organization will under new leadership soon which she anticipated will aid in moving the organization forward in the coming year.

There was no further business.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Davis  
Secretary