

Oregon Emergency Management Association
Membership Meeting
May 8, 2006
Eugene, Oregon

Members Present:

Dean Bender	Polk County Emergency Management
Steve Bullock	Multnomah County Emergency Management
Linda Cook	Lane County Emergency Management
Mary Davis	Washington County Emergency Management
Dara Decker	Union County Emergency Services
Tracy DePew	HRSA, Regional Preparedness Coordinator
Scott Etlinger	American Red Cross – Oregon Trail Chapter
Desiree Garcia	Coos County Emergency Management
Rose Gentry	Oregon Department of Transportation
Tom Groat	Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Res.
Glenda Hales	Coos County Emergency Management
David Harrington	Portland Office of Transportation – Emergency Mgt.
Patty Hopkins	Portland Office of Emergency Management
Jim Howell	Linn County Emergency Management
Doug Hormann	Washington County Sheriff's Office
Sharon Kennedy	City of Hillsboro Emergency Management
Bert Kile	American Red Cross – Oregon Trail Chapter
Terry Lewis	City of Lebanon
Bob Maca	Yamhill County Emergency Management
Tom Manning	Tillamook County Emergency Management
Mark McKay	Lane County Emergency Management
Les Miller	USACE – Portland District
Steve Muir	Washington County Emergency Management
Mike Mumaw	City of Beaverton Emergency Management
Scott Oerding	Grad Student
Sue Patterson	Washington County Emergency Management
Patty Rueter	Portland Office of Emergency Management
Scott Salmon	Multnomah County Emergency Management
Pascal Schuback	Portland State University
Chuck Solin	City of Eugene, Emergency Management
Gene Strong	Clatsop County Sheriff's Office
Cheri Wilson	Washington County – Land Use & Transportation

Call to Order:

President Rose Gentry called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Introductions:

Introductions were made around the room.

Approval of the Minutes:

The minutes of the February 15, 2006 meeting were distributed. After review of the minutes Patty Rueter discovered an error on page three, second sentence. The current word "Participates" should read "Participants". Correction will be made. There were no further additions or corrections to the minutes.

Motion to approve the minutes with word change by Bert Kile.

Seconded by Patty Rueter.

The minutes were unanimously approved with word change.

Treasurers Report:

The Treasurers Report ending March, 2006 was presented. Patty reported an error to the report under expenditures. The Meeting Costs and Web Page figure was reversed. She will make the correction. There were no further additions or corrections to the Treasurers Report.

Motion to approve the Treasurers Report with the noted correction by Steve Muir.

Seconded by Pascal Schuback.

The Treasurers Report was approved unanimously with correction.

Proposed Budget:

Rose presented the proposed budget for July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007 developed by the budget committee.

Mike Mumaw moved to accept the proposed budget.

Seconded by Tom Groat.

Discussion followed. Patty Rueter had concerns regarding funding of the strategic plan items. Patty Hopkins reminded the membership that this budget is a guideline and if further funds are needed later it can be amended. There was no further discussion.

Rose called for the vote.
The 2006/07 budget passed unanimously.

OEM Report:

There was no representative from OEM.

Old Business

Strategic Plan Update:

Rose reviewed the Strategic Plan and provided an update on deliverables.

Deliverable A - Forums for Peer Interface:

The conference this year will provide several forums for peer interface, including a social following the OEMA meeting, a breakfast buffet, an exhibitor social and a banquet. The E-Board is conducting it's meetings around the state, inviting members in various locations to attend. The membership is able to use a list-serve as a forum for questions and ideas. The website now has a password protected area for members. Various items will be posted for members.

Deliverable B - Advocate EM Programs to State Agencies:

A promotional brochure has not been developed. Rose suggested the Finance and Membership committees jointly work on this project. Rose has been promoting OEMA to various State agencies.

There was discussion from the membership regarding how to market the association. Some important questions to answer are;

What is OEMA's message?

What is OEMA and what does it mean for agencies in the State?

What can OEMA, as an Association, do for its members?

What are the benefits of joining OEMA?

Before we can recruit new members and develop a brochure we must answer these questions. Groups to consider when recruiting are; business partners, CERT members, medical reserve crops and citizen corp.

There was discussion regarding using the conference as an outreach tool for citizens who live in the conference location. Providing the community, during the conference, training and education regarding emergency preparedness.

A new committee will be formed to look at OEMA's mission, motto, and the core of the association. Volunteers for this committee are:

Tracy Depew

Sharon Kennedy

Mark McKay

Les Miller

Mike Mumaw
Patty Rueter
Pascal Schuback, Chair
Chuck Solin

Mike suggested that Strategic Planning should be a standing item at each OEMA conference. He also suggested that each committee and liaison provide a written report if they cannot attend quarterly membership meetings.

Committee/Liaison Reports:

Training Committee – Bob Maca:

The training committee has been discussing how to best provide needed training to the membership. The committee discussed having a training component to the annual conference.

Oregon Certified Emergency Management Specialist (ORCEMS) – Mike Mumaw:

Mike is in the process of updating ORCEMS packets. He will hold an orientation session as part of the conference agenda. He will be notifying members who need re-certification renewals. He is looking at how to streamline the ORCEMS process.

Scholarship Committee – Patty Rueter:

The scholarship program was approved at the last membership meeting. Clackamas Community College is working with Patty Hopkins regarding transferring the money for the program. The next step is to develop the intern stipend program.

American Public Works Association - Les Miller

Les stated that APWA would like to partner with OEMA on a future conference. Les also mentioned the NIMS training requirement for first responders. Rose will send a letter to APWA endorsing taking IS-100/700 for all first responders. Public Works is a first responder.

Health Preparedness Advisory Committee (HPAC) - Jeff Rubin

Jeff provided a written update from HPAC. He stated that the Integrated HRSA Oversight Committee (IHOC) is trying to shift from an operational to strategic role. State Health Officer, Susan Allan has requested HPAC and IHOC members recommend members for a medical advisory group that will help address critical issues for any large-scale public health emergency requiring adjusted standards of care.

The current draft of the pandemic flu plan was completed in March. The State will be setting up some regional meetings in June to orient people to the current draft of the plan, provide a short tabletop exercise and promote the State Plan-Flu full scale exercise on November 1-2, 2006.

International Association of Emergency Managers - Mike Mumaw

Mike stated that he has forwarded e-mails from IAEM that he feels are important to the membership. Sometimes there is a short time frame to send letters to our elected officials. IAEM is involved with providing input to the federal government regarding what FEMA should look like. If you have comments you would like forwarded to IAEM please send to Mike.

Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) – Rose Gentry

Rose reported that LEPC is a co-sponsor of the 2006 OEMA Conference. LEPC donated \$5,000 to the conference.

Oregon Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission (OSSPAC) – Bert Kile

Bert reported on progress of Senate Bills 2, 3, 4 & 5. Currently a seismic evaluation is being conducted on schools and other essential facilities.

Oregon State Sheriff's Association (OSSA) – Doug Hormann

Doug reported that the law enforcement community is continuing with NIMS training. They are also involved with resource typing as part of NIMS compliance.

ORVOAD – Sue Patterson

Sue reported that the group meets bi-monthly. Norene Goplen, Lutheran Family Services, will take over as President July 1. The 15 member organization of non-profit agencies continues to exchange resources and stay connected in order to act more quickly following a disaster.

Oregon Emergency Response System (OERS) – Rose Gentry

Rose reported that many state agencies will be involved in a disaster exercise, Pacific Peril, in late May. The exercise will be an earthquake scenario followed by a tsunami. Many coastal communities will also be involved. The exercise includes Oregon, Washington, California and British Columbia, plus 14 Oregon state agencies.

New Business

Election of Officers

OEMA President Elect position has two candidates running, Patty Rueter and Mike Mumaw. Rose gave each candidate an opportunity to address the membership. They each shared their background, qualifications and hopes for the Association. Following the speeches the membership voted.

2006/2006 Executive Board:

President	Rose Gentry
President Elect	Mike Mumaw
Past President	Les Miller
Secretary	Mary Davis
Treasurer	Patty Hopkins

2007 Conference Location:

Salishan Spa & Golf Resort at Gleneden Beach, OR will host the 2007 OEMA Conference. The membership received a conference survey in their packets. Please fill out this survey with your ideas for topics and speakers for next year. Rose stated that a volunteer sign-up for next year's conference will be located near the registration desk. If you would like to be part of the 2007 Conference Committee please sign up.

Member Issues/Concerns:

Chuck Solin asked the membership their opinion on using Blackberries. There was discussion regarding the use of this PDA device. It was stated that during Katrina the text messaging portion of PDA's could still be used, when all other communication was out.

Rose thanked the Washington State Emergency Management Association for donating their emergency packs to our conference. She also thanked Portland Water Bureau for donating water bottles for our backpacks.

There was no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Davis
Secretary

