



Oregon Emergency Management Association
Membership Meeting
December 2, 2009
Salem, OR

Present:

Raymond Ayers
Angie Capri-Berndt
Skip Booren
Josh Bruce
Rick Carter
Eric Corliss
Lorraine Churchill
Mary Davis
Pam Duncan
Rose Gentry
Ronald Greenhill
Mike Harryman
Scott Hittner
Patty Hopkins
Andre LeDuc
Mike Lueck
Doug McGillivray
Tom Manning
Ken Murphy
Eric Plebuch
Bill Riley
Joe Rizzi
Jeff Sargent
Eric Schmidt
Greg Shankle
Robin Smith
Paul Snider
Sarah Stegmuller
Roger Stevenson
Wayne Stinson
Stan Sutton

ODOT
LegendID
City of Sherwood
Partnership for Disaster Resilience - UO
Public Utilities Commission
American Red Cross, Oregon Trail Chapter
Columbia County
Washington County Emergency Management
Portland Development Commission
ODOT – Retired
DHS Chemical Security
DHS Public Health Division
Providence St. Vincent Hospital
Portland Office of Emergency Management
Partnership for Disaster Resilience - UO
City of Tigard Emergency Management
Yamhill County Emergency Management
Clatsop/Tillamook County Emergency Mgt.
Oregon Emergency Management
Peterson Caterpillar
Oregon Dept. of Human Services
City of Eugene
Oregon Federal Executive Board
Association of Oregon Counties
CRA Inc.
American Red Cross
Association of Oregon Counties
Clackamas County Emergency Management
City of Salem
Douglas County
PacifiCorp

Vincent Van Der Hyde
Phyllis Wright

OEM Amateur Radio
ORVOAD

Call to Order:

President Jeff Sargent called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

New Members:

Jeff welcomed three new members attending the meeting today:

- Greg Shankle, CRA, Inc.
- Phyllis Wright, ORVOAD
- Vincent Van Der Hyde, OEM Amateur Radio Volunteer

Presentation of Lifetime Membership – Rose Gentry:

Jeff presented Rose Gentry with a Lifetime Membership award for her many years of leadership to OEMA in her role as President and Committee work. Rose also received the President's Award at the OEMA conference in September. Tom Manning presented Rose with this award acknowledging her many years of service to the emergency management profession as ODOT's Emergency Manager and OEMA. Rose recently retired from ODOT.

Approval of the Minutes:

The minutes of the September 15, 2009 meeting were distributed. There were no comments or corrections to the minutes.

Motion to approve the minutes by Raymond Ayers.

Seconded by Doug McGillivray.

The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurers report from October 31, 2009 showing an ending balance of \$41,822.95 was distributed.

Conference Reports:

OEMA Fall Conference – Salishan:

Jeff reviewed the Fall Conference survey completed by attendees. Most attendees were enthusiastic about the joint conference with WSEMA and liked the Salishan location. There was discussion by the conference committee of

having another joint conference in 2013 to include Region 10; Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska.

IAEM Conference:

Jeff Sargent and Mike Harryman attended the IAEM conference representing OEMA. They provided feedback from the various sessions they attended and also the Region 10 meeting. They were impressed with the military presence at the conference, especially the Air Force.

Andre' LeDuc commented on the support of universities. There is currently a standing caucus of universities that has grown from 35 to 692 institutions. Andre' will give a presentation on this growing program at the March OEMA meeting.

Joe Rizzi stated there was a high caliber of speakers and presentations.

OEM Report:

Ken Murphy provided a report from Oregon Emergency Management. The report is attached.

Association of Oregon Counties (AOC) Presentation – Eric Schmidt, Paul Snider:

The AOC has three top priorities for 2010:

- Reauthorization of federal forest payments
- 2010 Legislative Session
- 2920 Task Force – HB 2920

Federal forest payments have been declining yearly. By the year 2013 there will be no money left for those counties that rely on this payment for funding.

Priorities for the 2010 Legislative Session include budget cuts, shared revenues and the election of new legislators.

Common items between the AOC and emergency management include funding of the OWIN project and the 9-1-1 consolidation task force.

Jeff will now attend the AOC Public Safety Steering Committee representing OEMA and will share news with the group of issues of interest to both organizations.

Private Sector Forum, Doug McGillivray:

Doug McGillivray led a discussion of how OEMA can be a benefit to our private sector partners. The group will meet again in January. There was discussion of providing a training session regarding COOP Plans for the private sector in February or March. Doug is hoping to expand the group to other counties outside the metro area.

Eric Plebuch stated he hoped the OEMA could be a clearing house for emergency management documents useful to the private sector.

Pam Duncan will be hosting the Continuity Planners January meeting at the Portland Development Commission.

Andre' LeDuc stated that there is a business continuity planning toolkit available free via their website www.oregonshowcase.org.

Committee Reports:

Membership and Marketing:

Doug McGillivray, Chair, discussed the proposal introduced to the membership at the September 15, 2009 meeting. The Committee recommended offering complimentary one year memberships to all persons, public and/or private sector, who are interested in emergency management issues. The proposal brought to this meeting also included an advisor or mentor be assigned to each new members. There was discussion by the membership of different target groups to approach including, Oregon Volunteer Firefighters Association, American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE), Oregon Sheriff's Association, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), Oregon Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (ORVOAD), Amateur Radio (ARES), students, schools and utilities.

The group also discussed how to better package and promote OEMA to these target groups. We need to better communicate the value of OEMA membership. How do we generate awareness in OEMA? We should target partners that can enhance OEMA's mission.

There was no recommendation on what type of incentive to offer. The Board will take the proposal under consideration.

Strategic Planning:

Eric Plebuch, Chair, reviewed the recent strategic planning survey that was sent to the membership. The results of the survey are attached. Short term issues for OEMA to consider are:

- Legislative
- Membership/Marketing

- Training
- Visibility/Website

The committee will use these survey results in updating OEMA's strategic plan.

Legislative Outlook:

The discussion centered on how to reach out to State Legislatures between sessions. Tom Manning will be working on developing an RFP to hire a lobbyist. Mike Harryman suggested members may want to watch the Legislative Session on-line to better understand the process.

Current Events Forums:

H1N1 – Lessons Learned:

Several members discussed the recent H1N1 EOC activations in support of the vaccine distribution. There will be after-action reports and the state and local level. Corrective action plans will be developed and shared. A regional JIC was stood up in the Portland/Metro area and worked very well and coordinating the messages to the media.

Old Business:

2010 Conference – October 11-14, Best Western Hood River Inn. If you are interested in participating on the conference committee please contact Mike Harryman. We are in need of Program Committee volunteers.

New Business:

The next OEMA membership meeting will be at the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center in The Dalles, March 10, 2010, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

There was no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Davis
Secretary