



Oregon Emergency Management Association

**Executive Board Meeting
August 19, 2004
Salem, Oregon**

Members Present:

Les Miller	President
Rose Gentry	President Elect
Bert Kile	Past President
Mary Davis	Secretary

Guests

Ken Murphy	Director, Oregon Emergency Management (OEM)
Dave Cassel	Plans & Training Section Director, OEM
Abby Kershaw	Financial & Recovery Section Director, OEM

President Elect Rose Gentry called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m.

Rose welcomed our partners from Oregon Emergency Management. The group will update the Board on current activities at OEM.

Minutes:

The minutes from the E-Board meeting of July 15, 2004 were reviewed.
Motion to approve by Bert Kile.
Seconded by Rose Gentry
The minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurers Report:

The Treasurers report ending June 30, 2004 was reviewed.
Motion to approve Treasurers report ending June 30, 2004 by Mary Davis
Seconded by Bert Kile.
Treasurers Report ending June 30, 2004 approved unanimously.

OEM Report:

Ken Murphy updated on the new Office of Homeland Security. Director Beverlee Venell will be meeting with the legislature to brief them on the funding package for the new department. There continues to be positive support from the Governor's office for the department.



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OEM staff continues to spend a great deal of time on grant related activities.

EMPG workshop will be September 16th at OEM. Workshop is for those agencies funded by EMPG grants.

September is National Preparedness Month. OEM will partner with the American Red Cross in the development of PSA's. Ken mentioned that other activities will be going on nationally. The focus will be on neighborhood and family preparedness, emphasizing Citizen Corps and Cert.

Oregon will host the Governor's Conference on Homeland Security in September.

OEM will be hosting a Debris Management class. For further information regarding registration see the OEM website.

Mitigation Plans for counties must be complete by November 1. The State plan is almost final and will be ready for promulgation by the Governor in mid-September.

Les mentioned that he hoped to see an OEM representative on each of the OEMA committee's. Ken stated that while that would be nice unfortunately many OEM staff are funded either fully or partially by terrorism grants and that working on activities other than terrorism is prohibited by grant restrictions. Abby and Dave also reminded Les of the work other staff is doing. They did however say that if meetings were held at OEM, depending on staff work load, there is a possibility of attendance.

There was discussion regarding the League of Oregon Cities and Association of Oregon Counties. We need to find out the legislative priorities of both groups. There could be opportunities for support and/or partnerships with both organizations.

Old Business:

Budget Review:

Bert provided a revised budget with justification that will be presented to the membership at the September meeting. Minor clarification changes were proposed by the Board. Bert will work with the Budget Committee to improve the format of the document.

Committee Chairs/Liaisons:

Les had several responses to his recent e-mail asking for volunteers for committees. An updated list was passed out for review.



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Rose recently met with Kelly Jo Craigmiles to learn about the ORCEMS committee and has a meeting scheduled with Gail Dreckman the new Chair. Les has asked the Committee Chairs to discuss their committee goals at the next membership meeting.

2005 OEMA/APWA Joint Conference:

Rose is leading the conference effort and has met with the conference chair for APWA. The OEMA conference committee will meet together with the APWA conference committee at the October 15th E-Board meeting at Welches.

New Business:

Meeting with WSEMA:

Les talked about developing a relationship with Washington Emergency Management Association (WSEMA). He and Rose will consider attending WSEMA's upcoming conference in September.

Membership Meeting Agenda:

Agenda Items Include:

- Minutes
- Treasurers Report
- OEM Report
- Joint Workshop Report
- Report from Kelly Jo Craigmiles on the new Distance Learning, FEMA Independent Study Program, Clackamas Community College
- Committee Chairs – Report on Committee goals and activities

Lifetime Member:

The Board discussed the requirements of lifetime membership.

Mary nominated John Clouse for lifetime membership.

Rose seconded the nomination.

John recently left his employment with Columbia County Emergency Management due to budget cuts. There was discussion regarding John's contributions over the years to OEMA.

The nomination was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Davis
Secretary



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