

April 24, 2010
Minutes – Oregon Business Education Association
Spring Council Meeting
Held at The Oregon Garden, Silverton, Oregon

Executive Meeting – 8:15 a.m.

Discussion was held about various appointed positions and who will be doing each job. Other miscellaneous discussion included what to do with extra flash drives with OBEA logo on them that were leftover from the WBEA conference.

There was also a discussion about the 2014 conference and projected profits/attendance and such. There is a consideration on the table with WBEA for the split to be 60/40 for the 2014 conference rather than 50/50.

Regular meeting was called to order at 8:45 a.m.

In attendance: Christy Ekroth, Jessica Voas, Nancy Noe, Sue Van Meter, Darlene Marquardt, Michael Morrell, Mary Ann Lammers, Doug Veysey, Krista Hartman, Patti Sessions, Andrea Pace

Absent: Adriann Spencer, Linda Owen-Cooper, Ann Gerig, Janet Strong, Joyce Moreira, Ron Dodge and Trina Lee

The minutes were approved with corrections noted. (replace Northwest with Western Region, and punctuation of “well”. to “well.”)

President’s Report: Christy reported on the WBEA conference. Next she questioned us about whether or not we were recruiting new members.

President-Elect Report: Michael reported that he had attended the president-elect meetings at the WBEA conference and that the rest of his report will be given later when we discuss the 2010 OBEA conference.

Treasurers Report: Nancy Noe gave an oral report. She reported that we’ve already received our first membership renewal for the 2010-2011 school year (which starts in July).

Membership: Christy reported for Adriann. There are 14 retired members and 82 members total. Nancy will update Christy on memberships paid as the new renewals come in.

Mailings were discussed. Christy plans to send 600 postcards rather than letters to all teachers in Oregon. She wants something catchy on the postcard as an incentive to pay their OBEA dues. It was mentioned to let people know that they will receive a 1 gb flash drive if they are a new member. Michael volunteered to color print the post cards.

It was discussed to cut them rather than purchasing perforated cards. These need to be done by mid-May.

Conference Report: A printed report was submitted. There was some discussion about the session's content and speakers.

Elections: We are looking for someone to be new chair people for some of our committees. Sue plans to stay on as Newsletter Editor. Darlene will stay on as Web Coordinator/Master and others plan to continue. It was thought that the following people will need to be re-elected: Bonnie Grote for Correspondent, Joyce Moreira for Retired Correspondent, Mary Ann Lammers for Consultant/Higher Ed Correspondent, and Nancy Noe for Treasurer. Nancy is willing to remain on the job until Michael finishes as president of WBEA in 2014 and will be willing to take over the job.

Correspondent Reports:

Krista – no report

Linda – absent, no report

Bonnie – written report and discussion regarding the situation at Madras where in order to get a grant to work on meeting AYP, the principal had to be removed from the school and a new principal brought in. It was mentioned that the principal was one of the best they'd ever had and he had won the Administrator of the Year award a year ago.

Janet – absent, report was given by Christy. She is working on updating the directory and has send Christy numerous updates so far.

Andrea – very nice written report. There was discussion about various parts of the report as we went along.

Mary Ann – written WBEA/NBEA/ISBE report.

Events: We acknowledged and praised Patti for today's meeting facility. It was very nice. Next year Jessica will be the Events Coordinator.

Historian: Doug reported that he had recently run the famed Boston Marathon. He said it was an incredible experience. He continues to take pictures and put book together. Please send him any pictures that you may have.

Newsletter: Sue reported that the Spring Newsletter should be finished by the end of this weekend and will be posted online.

Web Page: Darlene reported that she has been placing updates on the pages as soon as she receives them. The next goal is to update the membership application and the conference applications.

2014 WBEA Conference (to be planned and organized by OBEA). Christy handed out copies of the proposal that the DoubleTree at Lloyd center had given her. There was a discussion about who would be the conference chairperson and WBEA president that year. It could be Michael.

There was a passing of the gavel ceremony complete with picture-taking. The dates for summer planning were announced as June 18-19 beginning at 4 p.m. on the 18th. The location will be Sweet Home at Michael's home.

There was discussion of where the Fall Council Meeting should be held. The DoubleTree at Lloyd Center was the favorable location. It was noted that even though The Oregon Garden will be our conference location, and since we've met here once already, it is more expensive due to higher mileage checks needing to be paid out. The meeting will be on Saturday, September 11th.

The meeting was adjourned and we prepared to take a tour of the facilities.

Respectfully submitted,
Darlene Marquardt, OBEA Secretary.