



Minutes of the July 27, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting

Present:

Gerald Murphy	Steve Rayne
Alan L'Hommedieu	Jill Josselyn
Roy Iwai	Corinne Handelman
Steve Wise	Bill Weiler
Katherine Cory	Cindy Kolomechuk
Terry Black	Amber Ayers
Crista Gardner	Suzanne Easton
Shane Conrad	

(A) Council Development ~

- a. Approved the minutes from the May 18, 2015 meeting as submitted.
- b. 1) Financials: Katherine Cory:

Checking account: \$82,253.52
YTD Income: \$305,246.64
Total YTD Expenses: \$340,998.45

\$600,000 in pending grant application requests.

2) Fiscal In-housing

We are preparing for a September 15 financial audit or financial review. Katherine is working on a multi-year budget and creating financial policy procedures which include monthly audits.

- 3) The Meyer grant is due for completion October 31th. The board fundraising goal of this campaign is \$5,000 but also critical is all-Board participation.

Another way to donate is to use the Fred Meyer Rewards card. SRBWC is now a preferred non-profit organization and we are registered with Fred Meyer.

c. OWEB Updates

Focused Investment Program: The state's plan is to invest in 5-6 focused awards, a six year commitment if funded. Sandy River Basin Partners are in contention for \$2 million per year in the category of "Inland Native Fish." If we are successful in the first round, our full proposal will be submitted in November. OWEB rated SRBWC at its highest Council Support Ranking.

We are waiting for OWEB to announce their latest round of grant proposal approvals on September 18. We have two projects pending.

- d. Staffing: Eleven candidates submitted applications for SRBWC's first AmeriCorps position; 5 were interviewed, and the top three are being considered.
- e. Amber Ayers was introduced. Amber is working seasonally this summer with Corinne conducting outreach and mapping areas of policeman's helmet.

B) Council Project Updates: Staff

- 1) Delta --- Grant applications have been submitted to continue our successful environmental education program involving 300 students. We toured the Delta with ODFW's Susan Barnes to learn about western painted turtle habitat enhancement opportunities. The next round of grant proposals will focus on restoring the new Sandy River side-channel riparian area.
- 2) Resort of the Mountain: Corinne met with the new owner & manager at the Resort of the Mountain and learned that he is very supportive about habitat restoration on the site.
- 3) The Columbia Land Trust Floodplain Re-connection Project proposal is awaiting word from OWEB.
- 4) The Summer 2015 "Weed Smackdown" volunteer date is set: The Policeman's Helmet Pull is August 15, 9:30 a.m. Meet at the BLM Wildwood Recreation Site located at 65670 Highway 26, in Welches.
- 5) Timberline to Troutdale Cleanup: Event dates are set, September 12 at the Salmon River headwaters and September 19 for the lower Sandy. Meet at Timberline at 10:00 a.m. and Lewis & Clark at 10:00 a.m.
- 6) The next Sandy Delta Community Planting Day is Saturday, November 7 from 9:00 a.m. – noon.

C) Emerging opportunities/issues

- 1) Pembina Propane Terminal: Jill Josselyn and Steve visited with Pembina staff and invited Pembina to talk at the July 27 Board meeting, but they declined to attend.
- 2) MHCC campus stormwater retrofit: Along with the City of Gresham and East Multnomah County Soil & Water Conservation District, SRBWC is teaming with MHCC to create a sustainable storm water retrofit model for water quality here on the college campus.

D) Next meeting dates:

September 28: Annual Meeting
November 23: Holiday Meeting