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## Approved Minutes of the September 26th, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting at the Sandy River Learning Center

### Present:

Carl Exner  
Steve Wise  
Sara Ennis  
Bill Weiler  
Gerald Murphy  
Dianna Pope  
Julie DeLione

Terry Black  
Katherine Cory  
Alan L'hommedieu  
Steve Rayne  
Clair Klock  
Greg Mazer (community)

### **Finances and Budget**

- YTD Income: \$413,637.15
- YTD Expenses: \$436,987.57
- 2016 YE Projected Income: \$749,758.64
- 2016 YE Projected Expenses: \$744,108.69

Overall our finances are in good health. We are anticipating closing the year with positive net income.

### **MHCC Retrofit Funder Updates**

Metro's capital grant committee will come to campus for a short site tour Monday October 3<sup>rd</sup>. DEQ 319 funding is secured. The opportunity analysis for the retrofit is 95% complete and Metro is in the process of officially joining the MOU in partnership with the MHCC, the Council, the City of Gresham, and East Multnomah SWCD. 40% reduction in runoff is anticipated with the completion of five years of major projects, with many more projects proposed beyond that. Depending on funding and other logistics, some projects may begin as soon as summer 2017. DePave will be engaged for a community event. Project sites will include interpretive signage to engage the campus and larger community.

### **Board elections – officers and Council members**

All officers were re-elected: Carl to chair, Cindy to Vice-Chair, and Terry to treasurer, and all current council members retained their seats. The Council is still seeking to fill seats representing business, agricultural, forestry, and recreation sectors. There is also a vacant seat for the community at large. Steve and Katherine presented a new board member on-board packet.

### **SRBWC committees & board engagement**

Carl, Cindy, Terry, and Katherine proposed additional board meetings during spring months when regular board meetings are not held to create a regular time for committees to meet. Existing and Proposed committees are: Personnel, Restoration Events & Fundraising, Equity/Diversity/Inclusion. Next year is the Council's 20-year anniversary and

the ten year anniversary of the Marmot dam removal; there will be events to commemorate both these anniversaries.

### **Diversity/Equity update**

Steve Wise completed a six-month executive director's equity cohort/training through the Non-profit Association of Oregon and has access to additional coaching, which he intends to use to support the Council in completing an equity assessment and designing an action plan. This may be the subject of a winter retreat. The action plan will support the Council's 5-year vision, and the assessment will meet a biennial requirement for Council Support funding from OWEB.

### **Columbia Land Trust Floodplain Reconnection – Project completed as of 9/30**

The project removed 200' of post-1964 Flood levee/embankment, constructed three engineered log jams and two smaller log structures ("coho couches"), activated 2,900 feet of side channel, and the 'beaver pond' will have flow connecting it to the side channels approximately ten months per year. The ELJ's will bring flow into the side channel, deflect some erosive force, and create fish rearing and feeding habitat. The construction crew re-naturalized the access roads and 3,000 plants will be planted, starting with two days with Project YESS youth crews this October and community planting(s) to follow.

### **Flood of Information**

We published the Restorative Flood Response Community Handbook, co-authored by Council staff and Natural Systems Design, based partly on NSD's assessment of the middle Sandy, at the Flood of Information event on Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup> at the Resort at the Mountain, hosted by Clackamas County. Steve Wise presented to an audience of 23 there and 13 community members joined the tour of the completed construction at CLT. During the site visit, a tour participant spotted a juvenile coho in the pool in front of ELJ #2. Steve also presented to 36 members of the Timberline Rim community on Sunday during their annual meeting.

### **Weed Smackdown**

68 properties to date have been surveyed in the 2016 season, weed surveys will continue into October. Policeman's Helmet was found on 15 of those properties, but was seen on many more. Observations of Policeman's Helmet totals ~3.8 acres. 40 properties, totaling ~1.7 acres of Policeman's Helmet were treated, primarily by Project YESS youth crews this summer. Several infected properties could not be treated due to lack of property owner permission. Treatments will begin at sites with larger known infestations next year.

### **Cleanups**

- The Floating Cleanup on Saturday September 10<sup>th</sup> was sunny. 15 enthusiastic Volunteers participated collecting 600lb of trash, followed by a picnic.
- The Timberline Cleanup on Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup> poured rain the entire event. 22 volunteers from Snowrider Project, Portland Mountain Rescue, and the community collected 1500 pounds of trash. Voodoo donated 3 buckets of donuts to each event.

### **Notes:**

- SRBWC and other partners, received recognition for nationally acclaimed restoration work on Still Creek.
- The Council is a sponsor for the Coho Derby, adding prizes for the amount of trash collected
- Trekin' the Timberline Trail Hike-a-thon raised over \$1,000

- Beaver Creek was added to the Oregon Conservation Strategy as special Area of Concern

Next meeting is **Monday November 26<sup>th</sup>**, right after the Thanksgiving holiday