



## Minutes of the September 28, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting

### Present:

Steve Hanschka  
Steve Rayne  
Alan L'Hommedieu  
Jesse Holt  
Roy Iwai  
Corinne Handelman

Steve Wise  
Bill Weiler  
Katherine Cory  
Julie DiLeone  
Dianna Pope  
Terry Black  
Scott Fogarty

Called to order by Terry Black at 6:45PM

### 1. Council Development ~

a. Approved the minutes from the July 27, 2015 meeting as submitted.

b. Year to Date Financials: Katherine Cory:

Year to Date Income: \$317,232/14

Year to Date Expenses: \$367,228.74

Total administration costs are 8% of expenses

2015 Calendar year projection:

Projected Income: \$566,182.14

Projected Expenses: \$531,228.74

Board fundraising update:

\$2,450 out of our \$5,000 goal has been received from 10 contributors.

Meyer grant report is due October 31, 2015

The goal of this campaign is all-Board participation, rather than entire \$5000.

c. OWEB Updates

i. SWLC Fiscal Training Review: OWEB's 2014-2015

Reporting Guidelines Training was hosted by SWBWC here at MHCC

ii. Focused investment program: State's plan is to invest in 5-6 focused awards, a six year commitment if funded. SRBWC was invited to submit a full proposal which is due November 2.

iii. Spring submission grant rankings:

1. Vegetation Restoration application was ranked #4
  2. Columbia Land Trust Floodplain Re-connection Project was ranked #7 --- both given preliminary approval
- iv. October proposals
    1. Outreach Proposal
    2. Planning funds for Middle Sandy River sites
    3. Outreach proposal for landowners along Henry and Clear Creeks.
- d. Council Member Nomination(s):
    - i. Julie DiLeone was unanimously approved as an At-Large Government Representative. Motion by Terry Black, seconded by Dianna Pope.
    - ii. We still need Board members representing Agriculture, Forestry, and Recreation.
  - e. Staffing:

Our Community Involvement Specialist AmeriCorps Member Jesse Holt was introduced. Jesse will focus on outreach in the lower Sandy River watershed and Beaver Creek restoration.
  - f. Policy Updates:
    - i. Diversity and Inclusion: From our January, 2015 Strategic Planning Session, our goal is to expand our diversity to represent a multicultural organization. Discussion regarding how we will measure success. Suggestions about seeking out contractors that are including more diverse populations in their workforce, as well as expanding current events to reach larger and more diverse audiences. Corinne will be giving a presentation on diversity at the upcoming Oregon Conservation Partnership conference in Eugene.
    - ii. Child Abuse Prevention and Awareness: Extensive discussion on this policy proposal. Question rose if this policy would make us mandatory reporters of child abuse and neglect. All Board and staff members will need to sign this document. Online training opportunities will be explored. Carry to next meeting.

## 2. Council Project Updates:

### Recent Project Recap:

1. Weed Smackdown: Corinne and Amber surveyed 53 new properties including Resort of the Mountain. A Sandy River Post article covered this program. Timeline of weed removal off due to irregular weather this year. Will be adjusting the start of next year's events to begin sooner.
2. Timberline to Troutdale Clean-up Events: Approximately 100 volunteers for both events. 2,500 pounds of trash removed from Timberline and 1,000 pounds from the lower Sandy River, including an engine block. Steve Rayne commented that his family saw river otters. Overall it was a huge success!

3. The Delta Restoration Celebration attracted 80 participants and included music, poetry reading, and two interpretive walks. SRBWC staff looking to increase outreach for this event in following years.
  4. Volunteer Tracking: For 2015 (to date), we've had 781 volunteers who donated over \$50,000 in labor.
3. Emerging Opportunities/Issues:
    - a. MHCC Campus Stormwater Retrofit: Initiative is taking off. There has been a lot of discussion with various groups on campus, including a student led engineering club. Great support for MHCC behind this effort, with ODFW and the Beaver Creek Conservation Partnership participating in a recent campus tour and discussion. Outreach opportunity at the MHCC 50 year celebration in February.
    - b. Troutdale Energy Center: the project proponents issued rebuttals to our written testimony.
    - c. Watershed Transportation Nexus:
      - i. Mt. Hood Bike/Pedestrian Advisory Committee
      - ii. Lolo Pass Alternatives: Plan will be unveiled at the Flood of Information. Idea is to move the pass out of zones prone to flooding.
4. There was no public comment
  5. The next meeting will be held Monday November 16, 6:30 p.m.  
Guest speaker: ODFW Biologist will speak on Oregon's turtle populations and restoration possibilities at the Sandy River Delta.

Meeting concluded at 8:20PM