

OPCA Board Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2022

Via ZOOM Meeting

Board members attending (Indicated by*)

- *Robert DeAngelo, President
- *Larry Treleven, Past President
Rennie Kubik, President-Elect
- *Bill Granstrom, Treasurer
- *Tim Banwell, Director
Dave Mays, Director
- *Matt White, Director
Steve Nagel, Director
- *Derek Conrad, Director
- *Jesse Gooch, Director

Others, Members:

Harvey Gail, Executive Director

1. Welcome

Robert DeAngelo welcomed the group to the meeting at 7:34 am. It was noted when we get a quorum the voting items will be addressed. He commented on Oregonians for Food and Shelter's annual banquet. He said we met State Representative Anna Scharf, House District 23. She owns a dairy farm. He noted the presentations that they attended at the meeting including handling the media and a synopsis of the political situation in Oregon. He said Greg Ego was there also. He is an OPCA past president. He also said he attended the Target seminar. They had about 120 people there. He asked attendees about major issues. On preemption only two people new about it. He also mentioned secondary anticoagulants, neonics, and other issues but just a few people knew about those issues. He handed out several OPCA member cards.

2. Approval of Minutes

DeAngelo said the minutes of the October board meeting were presented for approval.

PASSED

Motion to accept the board meeting minutes from the board meeting on October 19, 2022. MM Larry Treleven; MS Jesse Gooch. Motion carried.

3. Treasurer's Report

A. Financial Report

Bill Granstrom, OPCA treasurer, noted bank account balances as of October 31, as follows:

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| Wells Fargo Checking: | \$21, 110.79 |
| Wells Fargo Savings: | \$2,039.10 |
| Wells Fargo Scholarship: | <u>\$5,535.11</u> |
| Total | \$28,685.00 |

Gail noted the income for Southern Oregon is not included yet since his bookkeeper has been ill for a couple weeks., He predicted that based on 55 attendees, income would be over \$8,000. He also noted we received a few member dues checks that aren't reflected yet, so that should put us to about 75 percent of budget. Gail said it's a little down from where he'd like it to be, so an effort will be made to reach out to lapsed members. He also noted the Fall Beach Seminar did very well financially.

PASSED

Motion to accept the financial report. MM Larry Treleven; MS Derek Conrad. Motion carried.

4. Committee Reports

A. Education

Mike Kesseker was not in attendance. Gail ran through the list of speakers for the Southern Oregon Seminar. DeAngelo noted he met some speakers he met at Pest World, and he will look to them as possibly presenting at future OPCA events.

Gail noted he has seen some emails from Mike Kesseker regarding booking speakers. DeAngelo said the OFS meeting was at the Salem Convention Center. He felt it could be in consideration for a meeting in the future since it's a nice venue and is affordable. The hotel room rate there was about \$179 a night. He felt it would be a good Portland area draw. Gail noted we could swap out the virtual winter seminar for one a little later , perhaps in March. He cautioned that we should time it, so it does not conflict with the Pacific NW Pest Management Conference in Hood River.

B. Government Affairs

Treleven commented that it was good to have OPCA represented at the OFS event. Treleven noted this was a proposal he made that OPCA attend those meetings. It happened that he wasn't able to attend. Treleven noted some election results in Oregon. Tina Kotek has won the Governor's office narrowly defeating republican challenger Christine Drazen. He said the democrats have had a super majority in Salem, but now they no longer hold as many seats, so they can't push their legislative issues through on a straight party line vote. They now have to negotiate the issues more. Gail noted a ballot measure passed that would disqualify any legislators from running for office if they missed more than 10 days during the legislative session. Treleven noted the republican walk last session out was caused by the democrats because they failed on their promises.

Treleven said the EPA was supposed to get back to us in August on the rodenticide issues. They still haven't. He said he has a call at 9:00 from NPMA on the issue. He will be talking to Dr. Jim Frederick. One of the things they were talking about is if they are used in the field, you have to go back and pick up any carcasses and gloves and possibly respirators could be required. He thought a compromise may be announced in December. He also said preemption is entered into the farm bill. On the national scene, the democrats will likely control the house and the democrats may have a thin majority in the senate.

Treleven said he will be at the Pest Control Operators of California meeting. He said they will be looking for a new executive director. The former ED was offered a position with the farm bureau in California. They are a huge force in our industry and it's a neighboring state.

C. Sponsorship

Rennie Kubik was not I attendance. Gail noted we have 3 or 4 exhibitors in Medford.

D. Wildlife

Dave Mays was not in attendance. Dereck Conrad said squirrels are picking up. He was not aware of any classes being offered.

E. Ethics

Steve Nagel was not in attendance.

F. Scholarship Committee

Gail said the scholarship account will have a little over \$4,000 in it after the check is cashed by Linn Benton Community College for Connor Hiddleston. He noted there will be applications available at the Southern Oregon Seminar.

5. Administrator's Report

Gail noted he has been organizing the Southern Oregon seminar which is later in the week. Also, member dues are coming in and he will be sending out notices to lapsed members. He recently sent a dues check to NPMA as well for dues we collected for the national association.

Gail noted we do need to get the speakers lined up for the January virtual meeting. He noted the tentative date had been set at January 15. Recertification credits need to be filed by mid-December.

Gail said due to an issue with his moving to a new home across town, he was not able to attend the Southern Oregon Seminar. His assistant Miriam McNie and his other employee Addison Alleman will be attending the meeting.

5. New Business

A. New Members

Gail noted we have a new membership application form Eagle Eye Termite and Pest Control in Klamath Falls. The owner is David Lloyd McGrath. Matt White noted he did not find any negative information on them with the state agencies.

PASSED

Motion to accept the member application for Eagle Eye Termite and Pest Control. MM Larry Treleven; MS Bill Granstrom. Motion carried.

Gail said the office mails a membership packet to all new members.

6. Old Business

A. ODA General Pest Exam

DeAngelo said he has not heard anything new about the effort. He said Brittany Jones at ODA was in charge of it. He will reach out to her. He said they need to have that finalized by 2024.

B. Tabletop Display

DeAngelo said he noticed that Oregonians for Food and Shelter had some nice pop-up displays. He said OPCA could use a tool like that at meetings. Gail said he will have a draft of the design by the next board meeting. DeAngelo noted he drafted some statements that will be used at his President's Message at meetings. Gail will refine those for use on the pop-up display and include all the points on the website.

7. Next Board Meeting

DeAngelo said we will have the board meet December 21 via ZOOM.

7. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting DeAngelo called the meeting to a close at 8:24 am.

Minutes taken by Harvey Gail, OPCA Executive Director