

OPCA Board Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2023

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
- Mike Kesecker, Education Committee Chair
- Cameron Yamaura, Education Committee

1. Welcome

Robert DeAngelo welcomed the group to the meeting at 7:33 am.

2. Approval of Minutes

DeAngelo said the minutes of the April board meeting were presented for approval. He asked if there were any comments.

PASSED

*Motion to accept the minutes from the board meeting in April. MM Larry Treleven; MS Matt White.
Motion carried.*

3. Treasurer's Report

A. Financial Report

Bill Granstrom, OPCA treasurer was not in attendance. Gail noted the account balances as of May 16, 2023:

Wells Fargo Checking:	\$9,237.57
Wells Fargo Savings:	\$2,040.50
Wells Fargo Scholarship:	<u>\$4,538.59</u>
Total	\$15,816.66

DeAngelo asked if we have any members who have not paid dues. Gail said much of the dues payment deficit on the budget is from allied members. He said they typically pay at different times of year than the active members. Many pay in January, and some will pay in June with their exhibit booth or in July. Larry Treleven contacted the

national offices at Rent-A-Kill and Orkin about paying their joint state's dues to OPCA, as is required in the agreement. Gail said he has not received dues from these two companies for their Oregon locations.

Treleven said the report shows we are a bit behind budget on the total income for the year. Gail said we are behind budget on dues. Income for High Desert has been coming in steadily, however.

PASSED

Motion to accept the treasurer's report. MM Larry Treleven; MS Jesse Gooch. Motion carried.

DeAngelo said he received a copy of the NPMA joint states agreement. He asked people to take a look at it and this will be discussed later in the meeting.

4. Committee Reports

A. Education

Mike Kesecker said Target is sponsoring Dr. Potter's talk. He said Brittny Jones is now with Oregon State University, but she is still presenting the same topic. Kesecker said he could not get a clear answer from ODA on whether recertification get credit can be awarded for a panel discussion. This would be on rodents. So, he thought we should not pursue that for the Fall Beach seminar but look at this again for a future event if we can be sure we can get credits for it. He said we would need to hear back from Colton Bond at ODA.

Kesecker said other speakers for September include Jim Shaver from Catchmaster and Ryan Ness from MGK. He said with those two, the schedule is filled out. After Fall beach, Kesecker noted Jesse Gooch and Cameron Yamaura will be handling education.

B. Government Affairs

Larry Treleven said EPA has not made any decisions for re-registration of rodenticides and has effectively kicked the can down the road to 2024. He said the main topic at NPMA's Day on the Hill was pushing pesticide preemption across the country. He said they were working on getting this in Alaska. That might not happen this session. He said the preemption language may get put into the farm bill.

Treleven noted the big issue in Washington DC now is the debt ceiling. He said in California there was a bill to limit first generation rodenticides. So far it is held in abeyance. He noted another issue related to eye-wash protection on vehicles in California. Each container must contain at least 6 gallons of water. They cost \$350 each. The issue is not just the cost, but also how often the water would need to be replaced. He said they have a new employee in California who works for Sprague who is helping with legislative issues.

Treleven reported that in Oregon, there are fights in the legislature on taxes and climate issues. There is a debate on small gas engines. Also, in Eugene there is an issue related to banning natural gas.

C. Wildlife

Derek Conrad noted bat exclusion season is coming up. There's a two-month window where they can't be disturbed for breeding season. After that bat work can continue.

D. Ethics

Steve Nagel noted there has not been any activity in the ethics committee. Gail said he submitted a copy of an ad that featured the OPCA/NPMA logo to the national office. He has not heard back. He noted that came from Steve Fisher, who pointed it out.

E. Sponsorship

Rennie Kubik was not in attendance.

F. Scholarship

Kesecker said we received a complete application from Sam Dilday. She is Laurel Hansen's Ph. D student. He noted there is a grey area on eligibility, but he felt she is deserving. He noted the requirements are that the recipient must be an employee, child, spouse or family member of a member company. She is being recommended by Dr. Laurel Hansen who is an honorary OPCA member, but she's not an employee or relative. Kesecker recommended that an exception should be made in this case and award her the scholarship. He wanted the board to discuss it. DeAngelo said the way he sees it is she is an important connection to all our member companies through her work. He asked for comments. Treleven suggested we could create a separate category for applicants applying to support higher academic degrees.

PASSED

Motion to approve the scholarship with a higher academic exception. MM Larry Treleven; MS Dereck Conrad. Motion carried.

Kesecker will contact her to see if we can have her at one of our meetings to receive the scholarship in person. Kesecker will work on a statement of eligibility to allow for post graduate academic scholarships. DeAngelo wanted to make sure we were transparent in this, so he thanked the board for the discussion.

5. Administrative Report

Gail noted the office is planning the High desert Seminar. He said the River's Edge golf course has been booked. There are 12 exhibitors so far. He felt we were a little behind on exhibitors, but it's still a couple weeks away. He said dues statements for 2023-24 will be sent out in late June with a July due date.

6. Old Business

A. General Pest Exam

DeAngelo noted there have not been any new meetings on the general test exam committee since Brittney Jones left the agency. It seems to be on hold, and they probably won't do anything until her replacement comes in. Treleven said Ashely Roden and Jeff Weier

A. Board of Director's Election

Gail said he emailed out the ballot with a due date of June 30. Treleven said he wrote in his name he has been on the board as Second VP. Dereck Conrad said he would like to remove himself from the ballot as Director. He has had some things come up that would interfere with being on the board. Matt White noted we can just leave the ballot as it is and take a nomination from the floor at the High Desert Seminar to add Larry Treleven as second V.P. Gail said we would probably be close to a quorum at the member meeting in Bend, so this should work for the election.

7. New Business

A. NPMA Joint States Agreement

DeAngelo referred to the NPMA Joint States Agreement that he sent to board members. He said everything is the same as it has been. He referred to bullet three: NPMA offered to handle billing for joint members. Gail described that having NPMA collect OPCA dues would impact cash flow. As it is, we get a lot of income in July and August, but we have to send most of it back to NPMA. If that is reversed, OPCA would likely have much less cash in July and August as we wait for dues to come in from NPMA. Nagel asked about the impact of the clerical tasks if NPMA collects the dues for OPCA. Gail said clerical and bookkeeping tasks would be impacted and that less time would be required to process dues. Treleven said OPCA does not collect national dues because the corporate dues are paid directly. DeAngelo asked if Washington collects NPMA dues, or if they are collected nationally. DeAngelo will touch base with WSPMA.

DeAngelo said other than the dues collection option, it looks the same. He asked if there are any comments on the national NPMA joint states agreement. Treleven said we could ask NPMA to come to the board meeting on June 21. DeAngelo didn't think we would have time to have a board meeting in bend in order to vote on it. DeAngelo said he would contact NPMA.

8. Next Board Meeting

DeAngelo said we will have the board meet on June 21 at 7:30 am via ZOOM.

9. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting DeAngelo called the meeting to a close at 8:33 am. He said he'd see most people in Bend.

Minutes taken by Harvey Gail, OPCA Executive Director