

OPCA Board Meeting Minutes

October 19, 2022

Via ZOOM Meetings

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
- Cameron Yamaura, OPCA Education Committee

1. Welcome

Robert DeAngelo welcomed the group to the meeting at 7:33 am. It was noted a quorum was present. He reviewed his trip to Pest World. He said Governor Gavin Nusom vetoed the neonic bill in California. He said that is a good thing for us in Oregon.

2. Approval of Minutes

DeAngelo said the minutes of the September board meeting were presented for approval. He said minutes note the exam in Utah, but he clarified that they were more interested in source material.

PASSED

Motion to accept the board meeting minutes from the board meeting on August 17, 2022. MM Rennie Kubic; MS Dereck Conrad. Motion carried.

3. Treasurer's Report

A. Financial Report

Bill Granstrom Treasurer, noted bank account balances as of October 18, as follows:

Wells Fargo Checking:	\$19,975.71
Wells Fargo Savings:	\$2,039.09
Wells Fargo Scholarship:	<u>\$5,535.06</u>
Total	\$27,549.86

Granstrom noted that expenses from the Best Western in Newport were fairly low, so we did quite well. He read the other expenses for the meeting and reported that net income for the seminar was about \$6,800.

PASSED

Motion to accept the financial report. MM Dave Mays; MS Rennie Kubic. Motion carried.

4. Committee Reports

A. Education

Mike Keseker was not able to attend, so Cameron Yamaura gave a report. He noted we need to solidify the virtual conference in January. Last year it was Saturday January 16. Dates for 2022 the dates could be Friday January 13 or the 14th. Gail noted it did not matter if it was on Friday or Saturday for him, but some might like the Saturday timeline to allow more technicians to attend. It was noted should check with speakers on their preference. DeAngelo said he met several people at Pest World who would be great speakers.

Yamaura said we need to set a date for the High Desert Seminar in 2023. Gail said we have a draft contract at the River House for June 3 and the contract requirements are about the same. He recommended we have it there again.

Yamaura said anytime anyone hears of a great speaker to send that along to him and Mike. Treleven noted a Phil Kahler, Staff University of Florida would be able to address mosquitos. Yamaura said we have been talking with Mike Potter as a speaker. Yamaura will be at the Southern Oregon Seminar, but Mike Kesecker won't be there. Yamaura suggested that a great presentation at the Bend seminar would be a panel on rodents. DeAngelo wanted to address second generation rodenticides as well as trapping due to rules in California. We should focus on monitoring, and other topics so we can demonstrate we can responsibly handle products, so the state legislators don't take them away.

Gail noted a date and location need to be set for the Fall Beach seminar. The group discussed the issue. Gail noted we are getting a bid from Salishan. DeAngelo said to check with Tim Lyons at the Hawaiian Pest Control Association on the date of their conference. Yamaura will let Mike know we are looking into Salishan.

B. Government Affairs

Treleven commented on the victory over the rodenticide ban in California. Due to that, the rodenticide issue is being deemphasized in other states. He said Jim Frederick, NPMA's point guard with EPA, will be taking over for the open position at PPMA. He noted NPMA has a new public policy committee manager (formerly called government affairs). He said he talked to some congress people about the preemption bill that was introduced. There were 15 members of congress who signed on. The verbiage will be added to the farm bill in addition to the stand-alone bill.

Treleven commented on the Oregon governor's race. He said there's a possibility that Oregon might have a republican Governor. Gail said the Governor's race tightened up recently, but Drazen is still leading, and Betsy Johnson seems to be pulling some votes away from Tina Kotek the Democrat candidate.

Derek Conrad asked if a republican governor would matter if both houses and senate have a democrat majority. Treleven noted Oregon has a gubernatorial veto rule. Also, if the legislature is tighter, they will be forced to work together to get things done. In Oregon's capitol, the percentage of democrats and republicans will probably be about the same but could tighten up a bit. Treleven advised to get a legislator to speak at our meeting. He suggested the meeting be in person since there will be more people.

Nagel said he spoke to a republican running for Senate. Oregon has 18 D's and 12 R's in the Senate, but only 3 seats are needed to reach a stalemate and that is a possibility.

C. Sponsorship

Rennie Kubik asked if we have a new Bell rep yet. He said we might need to recruit a new sponsorship chair. He said he's on three boards now, so he's pretty busy. DeAngelo said Jim at Catch Master might be interested. Gail said we only have room for a half dozen exhibit tables in Medford and we have three already.

D. Wildlife

Dave Mays said he just attended a seminar from Veseris featuring Jon Paulsen. There were about 30 people with 8 hours of credit. The meeting was in Eugene. It was noted Sandy Reiners retired from Veseris. DeAngelo asked Conrad to keep an eye on wildlife issues in the northern part of the state.

E. Ethics

Steve Nagel noted everything has been extremely quiet with no calls or inquiries.

F. Scholarship Committee

Gail noted Linn Benton Community College was sent a check under the account of Connor Hiddleston. He said it was fun to talk to him at the Fall Beach Seminar.

5. Administrator's Report

Gail sent out the packets to all the members with membership information. Each member received two kits. He also made up several member kits for DeAngelo. He said the office is busy with getting contracts for upcoming seminars. He filed the credits for Southern Oregon. It should get about 1.5 hours of CORE.

5. Old Business

A. ODA General Pest Exam

DeAngelo said he reached out to the exam committee. They had not had any new meetings. He said Brittany Jones at ODA spoke at the Fall Beach Seminar. He felt she would be very helpful. He expected we would get an update fairly soon.

6. New Business

A. New Members

DeAngelo noted Spray Masters application needs to be voted on. He had positive comments and has talked to them. DeAngelo said he had explained some of the things we will be facing. White checked the state agencies and there are no issues.

PASSED

*Motion to accept the member application for Spray Masters. MM Larry Treleven; MS Matt White.
Motion carried.*

Gail said the office will email new members and send a new member packet. DeAngelo said he set up a display of our membership packets at Veseris.

B. OFS Banquet

Treleven noted the Oregonians for Food and Shelter Banquet is on November 2. They are also offering sponsorships, but he told them we weren't able to sponsor, but will attend. Gail noted OPCA has sent the annual donation of \$3,000 in July. Treleven said he is unable to attend, but it would be nice to have one or two people attend. Gail will look up the information on the event and send it to DeAngelo.

7. Next Board Meeting

DeAngelo said we will have the board meet November 16 via ZOOM.

7. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting DeAngelo called the meeting to a close at 8:30 am.

Minutes taken by Harvey Gail, OPCA Executive Director