

OREGON FOREST RESOURCES INSTITUTE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Keizer Community Center 930 Chemawa Road NE, Keizer

January 18, 2019 9:00 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Jerry Anderson, Hancock Forest Management Anthony Davis, OSU College of Forestry Tyler Freres, Freres Lumber Co., Inc. David Hampton, Hampton Lumber Steve McNulty, Weyerhaeuser Company Jennifer Phillippi, Perpetua Forests Company Quincy Powers, Powers Ranch Co. Casey Roscoe, Seneca Sawmill Company

Staff:

Inka Bajandas
Jordan Benner
Mike Cloughesy
Norie Dimeo-Ediger
Rikki Heath
Erin Isselmann
Timm Locke
Kathy Storm
Julie Woodward

Guests:

Sara Duncan, Oregon Forest & Industries Council Jim James, Oregon Small Woodlands Association Dr. Jon Souder, OSU College of Forestry

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Powers called this meeting of the Oregon Forest Resources Institute to order at 9:06 a.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Powers welcomed board members, staff and guests.

MINUTES

Motion: Steve McNulty moved to approve the October 18, 2018 board meeting minutes with the correction of changing the date from July 11 to October 18. The motion was seconded by Jennifer Phillippi. Voting for the motion: Jerry Anderson, Tyler Freres, David Hampton, Steve McNulty, Jennifer Phillippi, Quincy Powers and Casey Roscoe. Voting against the motion: none. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Senior Manager, Business Operations Kathy Storm reviewed the October 2018 financial management report.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. Jon Souder, OSU College of Forestry provided an update on the Trees to Tap water study. The final reports should be completed by July 2019. Discussion followed.

Director of Forestry Mike Cloughesy reviewed details of the Workforce Logging Webinar that OFRI is sponsoring with Associated Oregon Loggers. Four sessions are scheduled: January 24, February 13, March 13 and April 10.

Chair Powers reported that an office relocation working group had been established consisting of himself, Jerry Anderson and Eric Schooler. The working group visited two prospective properties in early December. One property, KOIN Center in downtown Portland, exceeds the overall budget target and the property owner is not interested in negotiating. The second property, Peterkort II at the intersection of Highways 26 and 217, is very close to the budget target. The board working group feels that the Peterkort II location is safe, convenient to mass transit and meets all the other criteria that OFRI is seeking in an office.

Motion: David Hampton moved to direct staff to continue negotiating and finalizing a ten-year lease through the Department of Administrative Services for the Peterkort II office suite. The motion was seconded by Casey Roscoe. Voting for the motion: Jerry Anderson, Tyler Freres, David Hampton, Steve McNulty, Jennifer Phillippi, Quincy Powers and Casey Roscoe. Voting against the motion: none. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Two Fiscal Year 2018-19 New Opportunities proposals were presented:

 Pete Caligiuri, The Nature Conservancy, and Nicole Strong, Oregon State University Extension, presented a proposal on behalf of the Deschutes Collaborative Forest Project to conduct a random telephone survey of Deschutes County residents regarding the current state of forest health, active forest management, wildfire and trusted sources of information.

Motion: Tyler Freres moved to approve \$8,000 from the Fiscal Year 2018-19 New Opportunities budget for Deschutes Collaborative Forest Project to conduct a public

opinion survey of Deschutes County residents. The motion was seconded by David Hampton. Voting for the motion: Jerry Anderson, Tyler Freres, David Hampton, Steve McNulty, Jennifer Phillippi, Quincy Powers and Casey Roscoe. Voting against the motion: none. Motion passed.

Senior Manager, Forestry Education Julie Woodward presented a proposal for \$5,000 to host 40 high school teachers for a two-day sustainable forestry tour based in the Portland area. She noted that \$12,000 of approved funds in the Fiscal Year 2018-19 K-12 budget are being reallocated for this tour. The focus of this year's tour will be mass timber buildings, urban-rural connections and urban forestry.

Motion: Jennifer Phillippi moved to approve \$5,000 from the Fiscal Year 2018-19 New Opportunities budget for the sustainable forestry high school teacher tour. The motion was seconded by Casey Roscoe. Voting for the motion: Jerry Anderson, Tyler Freres, David Hampton, Steve McNulty, Jennifer Phillippi, Quincy Powers and Casey Roscoe. Voting against the motion: none. Motion passed.

Director Cloughesy reviewed a list of four potential special report topics for Fiscal Year 2019-20: Oregon's working forests, intensive forest management research project, fire in Oregon's forests and wildlife in Oregon's managed forests. Discussion followed.

Public Outreach Manager Inka Bajandas shared three completed topic sheets on clearcutting, herbicides and forest carbon. Bajandas plans to complete one additional sheet this fiscal year and three next fiscal year. Bajandas provided a list of potential forestry topics and discussion followed.

Executive Director Erin Isselmann thanked the budget working group members Jerry Anderson, Quincy Powers and Eric Schooler for assisting staff with the draft Fiscal Year 2019-20 budget, which includes a two-cent increase to the forest products harvest tax effective January 1, 2020. Board members requested staff work on multiple scenarios to review before the March 15 conference call when the board will approve a revised Fiscal Year 2019-20 budget.

Director Cloughesy proposed a second OFRI tour in Fiscal Year 2018-19 modeled after the June 2018 herbicide application tour in Newberg. The tour would be scheduled in June on Stimson Lumber land near Tillamook. Board members asked staff to move forward with setting a date and planning the tour.

Director Cloughesy proposed an October 2019 board tour partnering with the Deschutes Collaborative Forest Project for Fiscal Year 2019-20 which will be funded by the USDA Wood Innovations Grant and focusing on forest restoration in Central Oregon and wood products. There was board consensus to reschedule the October 18 board meeting as a two-day tour and meeting event.

Director Cloughesy reported that staff will bring a proposal to the April meeting for a new report on forest carbon.

Due to a personal conflict, Executive Director Isselmann asked that the April 12 meeting be rescheduled to April 10.

David Hampton moved to reschedule the April 12 meeting to April 10, 2019. The motion was seconded by Jerry Anderson. Voting for the motion: Jerry Anderson, Tyler Freres, David Hampton, Steve McNulty, Jennifer Phillippi, Quincy Powers and Casey Roscoe. Voting against the motion: none. Motion passed.

Director of Forest Products Timm Locke shared a report on mass timber market analysis from The Beck Group.

REPORTS

Staff Reports

- Norie Dimeo-Ediger and Rikki Heath
 - Developing an Outdoor School (ODS) pilot program with Salem-Keizer School
 District to provide a three-day consecutive day program that meets ODS
 requirements. One day will be in the Rediscovery Forest and the other two days
 elsewhere. All three sites will work together to ensure a cohesive curriculum.
 - Hosting one-day workshops throughout the state for professionals who will be teaching natural resources at ODS.

Inka Bajandas

- Oregon Forest Facts 2019-20 will be delivered soon and copies will be mailed to OFRI's stakeholders and partners. For legislators, the publication will be distributed digitally, as well as promoted on social media channels.
- Drafted a social media intern job description and will be contacting Portland-area universities with marketing, communications and journalism programs seeking a college junior or senior to fill the position.
- Working with Dimeo-Ediger on finalizing the copy of the new Oregon forest wildlife educational booklet for middle school students. Design will begin in a couple months.

Jordan Benner

- Updating OFRI websites with the new Oregon Forest Facts 2019-20 data.
- Completed the spring 2019 educational advertising buy. The ads will begin running in early March through early June, followed by a post-ad test survey. New 2020 creative concepts are underway and will be focus group tested prior to sharing them with the board in April. Staff plans to produce two new ads in August.

Timm Locke

- Attended the January 15 Mass Timber Development Summit. Also served on the planning committee and moderated a panel at the Summit. Approximately 170 attended.
- The Mass Timber Conference is March 19-21 in Portland, and Locke invited board members to attend.
- Assisting partners with three new USDA Wood Innovation Grant applications:
 - Temporary roads
 - Sound barriers
 - Multi-story modular building

Mike Cloughesy

- Oregon Forest Sector Economic Study: three draft chapters are due from OSU and the University of Idaho by the end of January. A final report should be ready in March
- Starker Lecture Series theme is Tribal Forestry: From Reservation to Restoration.
 Dates, topics and speakers are:
 - January 24: Teachings of the Tree People: The Work of Bruce Miller discussion led by Kristi Miller of the Skokomish Tribe
 - February 13: History of Tribal Forestry in Oregon: Reservation, Termination,
 Restoration—Don Motanic, Intertribal Timber Council
 - March 6: First Foods Management Approach of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation—Eric Quaempts, Umatilla Tribe
 - April 10: Future of Tribal Forestry in Oregon and Beyond—Don Ivy and Darin Jarnaghan, Coquille Tribe

- May 30: Forestry Tour of the Siletz Indian Reservation—Mike Kennedy and others, Siletz Tribe
- Hagenstein Lecture: two lectures scheduled:
 - May 2: A Conversation with John Maclean—hosted by Doug Decker
 - o October 20: Emerging Voices in Forestry
- Julie Woodward
 - New Wildlife in Managed Forests: Fisher and Humboldt Marten publication complete.
 - o Chairing the PNW SAF Leadership Conference with 100 people registered.
 - o OFRI is funding busses for the Oregon Logging Conference.
 - Sixty teachers attended a high school teacher workshop in December. Due to the large size, staff would like to change the format to a conference in the future.
- Erin Isselmann
 - The 2019 Values and Beliefs Survey went to the field Jan. 17 and already has over 250 responses. DHM Research will provide a report at the April board meeting.
 - o Considering having two focus groups on the subject of forest carbon.
 - o OFRI is the recipient of the Gold Star Award for accurate financial reporting.
 - Chris Edwards has resigned from the University of Oregon and OFRI's board. He's been hired by OFIC as their contract lobbyist. Staff will begin working on recruiting for the public representative position, and Isselmann asked for board members' input and suggestions.
- Quincy Powers
 - Thanked the board and staff.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim James, Oregon Small Woodlands Association and Oregon Tree Farm System, thanked the board for the continued support for family forest landowners. James asked that funding of \$20,000 be approved in the Fiscal Year 2019-20 budget for OSWA's Neighbor to Neighbor program.

ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Storm

Recording Secretary