

**OBPAC Meeting
June 4, 2009
Five Pines Resort,
Sisters, Oregon**

Thursday, June 4, 2009

Attendees

OBPAC: Jerry Norquist, Kathryn Beaumont, Maureen Sevigney, Peter Durant,
Alison Wildman

Staff: Rodger Gutierrez, Sheila Lyons, Basil Christopher, Steve Lindland. Pat
Fisher

Visitors: Jerry Kern – Newport, Wayne Baum, April Bertelsen – Portland Bureau of
Transportation

Administrative Business

Called to order by Jerry N at 11:30am.

Introductions

MINUTES - all adopted unanimously

April 08

July 08

Oct 08

Jan 09

NEXT MEETING DATE – No date set.

Committee Appointments – Pamela Estes with the Governor’s office has said that Maureen, Jerry N and Jerry Z will be reappointed. Jerry N’s slot will be changed from at-large to bike industry. Ms. Estes has said that appointments for the open positions will be made in June.

OCBR Issues – Newport Update

Pedestrian and Bicycle Program Staff are reviewing intergovernmental agreements with local road authorities, investigating a user questionnaire last administered in '99 and working with local advocates on issues on the OCBR in Tillamook and Lincoln Counties.

Staff plans to enlist local advocates to help administer the user survey this summer (August). We’ll then begin contacting the local road authorities with possible solutions to the issues on the OCBR.

AI (Action Item) – circulate questionnaire for committee review and input.

Jerry Kern – representing Ken Denis – brought 5 packets of information about concerns from LC and Newport – BAC. Ken Denis proposed a possible solution to the issues on Otter Crest Drive.

AI – Set up meeting with maintenance units in Lincoln and Tillamook Counties when we do the survey to discuss maintenance related issues with local bike advocates.

Bike Summit Recap

Bike Summit attendees gave a summary of the event held in April in Salem.

AI – Committee will send a letter to each Senator and Rep about what was and wasn't funded in their district thru the Pedestrian and Bicycle Program Grants.

LUNCH

High Performance Schools – AJ shared a lot of background information on costs of school busing and provided information on possible incentives that could be used to entice and support more children to walk and bike to school. The first step is to identify allies to support the proposal.

TE Update – Pat gave an update on completed TE projects: Salem RR Bridge, Eugene Delta Ponds, Willamette River Bridge in Springfield, etc.

AI – Committee would like a clarification of bike/ped in State T-funding package.

Grant Updates

Eugene – The City of Eugene asked the committee to allow them to use excess funding from their '10-'11 grant to install pedestrian activated flashing beacons at the pedestrian crossings installed on River Road with a '06-07 Grant.

Motion to allow Eugene to use left over grant money for Bailey Hill project to add flashing beacons on River Rd. **Passed unanimously.**

Coos Bay – it appears that the grant program has enough money to award the alternate project – in Coos Bay.

Oregon City Bridge Closure – Discussed issues about project. Committee will write a letter giving minimum bike/ped service standards project should accommodate.

Region 1 Update – Basil gave an update on activities and projects happening in Region 1. One issue is the proposed signing to help bicyclists access the I-5 Columbia River Bridge in the correct direction. Paths to the bridge are confusing and unsigned at present. The walkway is narrow and wrong way bicyclists are in conflict with other bicyclists and pedestrians. Basil has been working with Region 1 Traffic, Washington DOT and the City of Vancouver to develop and place signs to address the issue.

Motion – supporting directional signing across I-5 Columbia River Crossing to include sufficient way finding. **Passed – Unanimously**

OBPAC would like to be included in discussions of bicycle and pedestrian traffic during major construction closures and when work impacts future use.

Bike Ped Priorities to OTC

OBPAC wants a liaison between OBPAC and the Oregon Transportation Commission. Thought was to schedule OBPAC meetings in conjunction with OTC meetings once or twice a year and to invite OTC to attend OBPAC meeting. This may allow more interaction between the OTC and OBPAC.

Proposal to meet 6 times per year

Proposal to meet every other month was advanced. Some members would like meeting dates for the year established in advance. Staff work load is heavy and more OBPAC meetings will add to staff workloads. Committee members will have to handle more agenda duties if more meeting are to be added.

Motion – to meet 6 times per calendar year on a set schedule, effective 2010, before that time additional meetings may be added. **Passed Unanimously.**

PBOT Grant Update and Funding Request – April Bertlesen, Portland Bureau of Transportation Pedestrian Coordinator presented an update and requested additional funding for their '10-'11 proposed grant project.

Motion – to approve to accept revised cost estimate and additional funding request contingent on best design Practices. **Passed 6 yes, one abstain (Kathryn).**

Adjourned at 4:30 pm

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Staff: Rodger Gutierrez, Sheila Lyons, Basil Christopher, Pat Fisher

Visitors: Wayne Baum, Brad Grimm and Eileen Stein - City of Sisters, Michelle
Sims – Deschutes County BAC, Jeff Sims – Sisters Trails group, Jeff
Monson – Commute Options Bend

Administrative Business

Called to order by Jerry N at 8:30am.

Introductions

Local Presentations

Eileen Stein welcomed the Committee to Sister's Oregon.

Michelle Sims, Jeff Sims, Jeff Monson and Brad Grim gave updates on issues, projects and happenings in Sisters and Deschutes County.

Adjourned 11 am.

The Committee and guests went for a bike ride, visiting several local sidewalk and bike projects funded thru the grant and ped/bike program and reviewed the grant project proposed, but not funded in the last grant cycle. The committee continued on to Indian Ford Park for lunch and returned to Sisters.