

Oregon Commission for Voluntary Action and Service

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Executive Committee Meeting MINUTES

November 19, 2021

10:00AM-11:00AM

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Conference Call: 929-229-5751 Access Code: 616 385 726#

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12 hours prior to the meeting. Times are approximate. Order of the agenda may vary.

Members Present: Chair Nathan Rix, Vice-chair Elias Villegas, Director Carie Bauer, Sierra Barnes

Staff Present: Brittany Melzer, OWI Director Julia Steinberger

Standing Business

Preliminary and Organizational Business

- 1.0 Opening Remarks and Introductions
 - Chair Nathan Rix called the meeting to order at 10:05AM.
- 2.0 **Public Comment**
 - No public comment.
- 3.0 **Consent Agenda**

Action Item: Approve July 2021 Commission Board Draft Minutes

 - Draft meeting minutes were accepted and approved.

Standing Reports

4.0 Committee Reports

- 4.1 Equity Framework Development Team
 - Director Carie Bauer shared that the Equity Framework Development Team is continuing to meet monthly. The group will begin prioritizing processes for review at next meeting and finalizing a workplan. To complete the scope of work, OV will extend the contract with Engage to Change to June 2022.
 - Due to time availability, Shenika Cumberbatch has stepped down as chair. A new chair will be appointed.
- 4.2 Public Policy and Education Committee
 - Chair Nathan Rix shared that the workgroup is following what will come out of the HECC budget for 2022-23.
 - Director Carie Bauer updated that the legislative concepts are being developed for next year.
 - Chair Nathan Rix appointed Sierra Barnes as committee chair for 2022. Sierra accepted.
 - Discussion: Cleanup of the language for the state tax exemption on the Segal Education Award. Decision was reached to research an administrative rule to clarify that the exemption date should reflect when an award is redeemed, not received.

4.3 Director's Report

- Director Carie Bauer introduced OWI Interim Director Julia Steinberger to the Executive Committee.
- Discussion: Strategies to increase the Commissions visibility with the other HECC boards and peer organizations.
- Updates provided on the Build Back Better Bill.

5.0 Commission Strategy and Planning

5.1 Strategic Planning

- Discussion: Strategies for utilizing incoming funds, including state and federal ARPA, and Build Back Better, if passed.
- OWI Director Julia Steinberger shared a report out of the HECC Strategic Roadmap.

5.2 December Board Meeting

- Agenda development for the following December board meeting was discussed.

Adjourn

- Chair Nathan Rix adjourned the meeting at 11:01AM.