

## OREGONSERVES COMMISSION

### Commission Meeting Agenda

**Meeting Date and Time:** May 9, 2025, from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm

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#### **11:00 am – Meeting Opening**

*Facilitated by Meeting Chair*

- Call Meeting to Order
- Review and Approve Minutes
- Receive Public Comments

#### **11:15 am – AmeriCorps Updates and Impacts**

*Presented by the Director*

- Federal Agency Operations and Notice of Award Termination
- OregonServes Response and Program Impacts
- Federal Appropriations Updates
- Commission Strategic and Operational Updates
- Program Partner Impacts

#### **12:00 pm – Commission Discussion**

*Facilitated by Meeting Chair*

- Discuss priorities for Commission engagement and strategic action

#### **12:20 pm – Wrap-Up and Adjournment**

*Facilitated by Meeting Chair*

- Recap decisions and next steps
- Adjourn meeting

## **OREGONSERVES COMMISSION**

### **Meeting Minutes**

*Meeting Date: March 14, 2025*

#### **Commission Members in Attendance:**

Heidi Echeverría, Chair, Daniel Altamirano Hernandez, Vice Chair, Greg Carpinello, June Bass, Sierra Barnes, Dr. Latrissa Lee Neiworth, Craig Wiroll, Mary Greusel

#### **Commission Members Absent:**

Cari Vandecoevering, Susan Taylor, Jared Pruch, Shenika Cumberbatch-Corpas

#### **Commission Staff in Attendance:**

Carie Bauer, OregonServes Commission Director

#### **Meeting Opening:**

Meeting called to order by Chair Heidi Echeverría.

Quorum met.

No public comment.

#### **Approvals:**

- Meeting Minutes: Commissioner Barnes motioned. Commissioner Neiworth seconded. All votes in favor. Meeting Minutes approved.
- Consent Agenda: Commissioner Carpinello motioned. Commissioner Bass seconded. All votes in favor. Consent Agenda approved.

#### **ASC Leadership Convening Report-Out**

Vice-Chair and Director each shared updates from their attendance to ASC's 2025 Leadership Convening in DC. Notable items included visits with staff of Representative Bonamici and Senator Merkley, updates from AmeriCorps leadership on implementation of executive orders, and appropriations, and updates from ASC on funding and policy initiatives.

#### **Invited Report-Out: AmeriCorps National Direct & AmeriCorps Seniors Commissioners**

Commissioner Greg Carpinello, Executive Director, Jesuit Corps Northwest, and Commissioner Cari Vandecoevering, AmeriCorps Seniors, were invited to share information on the impacts to their programs from the recent federal executive orders, the potential for a government shutdown, and the pending federal budget cuts. Commissioner Cari Vandecoevering was unable to attend at the last minute and will be invited to report out at next meeting.

### **Invited Public Testimony: OregonServes AmeriCorps State Grantees**

Program and Planning Grant grantees were invited to provide, via written or verbal testimony, information on the impacts to their programs from the recent federal executive orders, an impending threat of a government shutdown, and the pending federal budget cuts. Carmen Denison, Executive Director, Coalition for Racial and Educational Justice, (CoREJ) and Adriana Lovell, Board Director, Confluence Environmental Center, provided verbal testimony to the Commission.

### **Commission Discussion:**

Following the report-outs and invited testimony, the Commission discussed strategic activities to raise awareness of AmeriCorps and broaden outreach efforts.

Action Items resulting from the discussion:

- Create Basecamp resource section with toolkits, stories, and photos Commissioners can share via social media.
- Compile a list of ASC-hosted learning communities, workgroups, and committees that Commission members can join.
- Vice-Chair will follow-up to determine available openings on the ASC Board of Directors.
- Follow-up on suggestions given for Youth Commissioner outreach.
- Reminder: Complete the ASC Policy Academy online course.

### **Meeting Adjourned:**

Meeting adjourned at 1:21pm by Chair.

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