

**The Oregon Consortium Board of Directors
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, July 21, 2005
1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
The Best Western Hood River Inn – Hood River, Oregon**

ATTENDANCE

TOC Board Members:

Maui Meyer	Scott Mckay	Emile Holeman	Marlyn Schafer
Chuck Hurliman			

Guests:

Lita Colligan	J.J. McLeod	Dawn Salsbery	Tara Bishop
Tom Erhardt	Julie Gassner	Tom Moore	Teri Simonis
Chad Freeman	Bob Schroth	Susan Channer	Dave Allen
Sheila Crawford	Jerry Lierow	Art Rhodes	Robin Cope
Robin Popp	Craig Schmidt	Marty Miller	Shelia Semling
Susan Channer	Kayleen Warner	Joy Yori	Colleen Puryear
Kris Kennedy	April Lackey		

Staff:

Bill Demestihias	Jeff Dickason	Kris Latimer	Melissa Kincaid
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MEETING SUMMARY

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

John Elliott, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and asked for introductions. John explained that there was no quorum present and therefore no actions will be taken.

A. MINUTES FROM APRIL 2005

The April 2005 minutes were tabled to the next meeting.

II. WIA FUNDING & ALLOCATION UPDATE

Melissa Kincaid, TOC/OWA Director for Operations, thanked everyone for participating in the budget building process and adoption. Melissa indicated she would send a WIA Funding & Allocations spreadsheet by region comparing this year's draft allocations to the prior year's allocations.

III. OWA MEMBERSHIP

- A. Susan Channer, OWA Member, asked for the floor and requested to distribute background information. She stated that the background item was an anonymous letter received by the OFA. John Elliott indicated that the board does not recognize anonymous letters and asked Susan to collect the letter.
- B. A complete Interest Form for Representation on the Oregon Workforce Alliance has been received from: Jeff Hazen, Private Sector, Region 1 Assistant General Manager – Costco Wholesale.
- C. A vote on removing Susan Channer, as the At-Large representative for Native Americans Program, due to the Organization of Forgotten Americans not being a signatory to a MOU or RSA in any TOC region for the past 9 months was not discussed or voted upon due to a lack of quorum.

IV. REGIONAL UPDATES

Commissioner Elliott asked members to provide updates on economic development activity in their counties. A variety of updates were given.

A productive discussion addressing non-UI covered clients within the context of performance and funding allocation formulas took place. Jeff Dickason, Director of Performance and MIS, shared that through supplemental reporting non-UI covered client can be counted in performance and also mentioned that non- UI covered jobs do not show up in formula allocations.

There was further discussion regarding the 20% of citizens in rural Oregon in non UI covered jobs. The Consortium and its members have been advocating and lobbying the State to seek this data as it relates to allocations, etc. for several years and no action has been taken.

Lita Colligan, Governor's Staff, recommended that we open a dialogue to draft a methodology for allocation that would take into account Non UI covered jobs. She also identified a second policy piece which is if the state would consider an informed estimate as a part of the funding formula.

John Elliot recommended that Marlyn Shafer start a draft letter defining the factor of non-UI covered jobs, the ramifications it creates for rural areas and propose a recommendation for the State to count the uncovered worker: federal employees, agricultural industries and self employed.

V. SURVIVORS 2005

Kris Latimer, TOC/OWA Communication and Projects Manager, provided an update on the Survivors Youth Leadership Experience 2005 to be held August 7-12, at Oregon State University with Survivors VIP Day to be held August 11, 2005. Kris also announced TOC/OWA secured a grant from Ford Family Foundation to establish an evaluation of this project, scholarships for non WIA eligible youth, and the creation of a virtual community to support Survivors Alumni.

VI. WIA REAUTHORIZATION UPDATE

Bill Demestihias, TOC/OWA Executive Director, provided an update on WIA Reauthorization reporting there has been little change since the last report. It is doubtful that legislation will get through a Senate vote to committee to the President this year, maybe next year.

VII. GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF WORKFORCE & EDUCATION UPDATE/DISCUSSION

Lita Colligan, Governor's Education & Workforce Policy Advisor, was introduced by John Elliott. A variety of topics were discussed including: land use, housing costs, school funding, standards for schools, and accountability issues.

VIII. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m. by Board Chair John Elliott.