

### Minutes - March 15, 2016

#### **Welcome and Introduction**

**Attendance**: Kelle Landavazo, Dan Moseler, Karen Parmelee, James Bryant, Kim Pettina, Jay DeBoer, Laura Pascoe, Tom Hogan, Justin Frantz, Steve Bullock, Dick Raub, Karen Ligon, Robert Worlock, Christian Burgess, Chris Cochran, Charlene Larsen, Steve Courtney, Brent Carlson, Joseph Murray, Steve Sirkin, Alice Busch, Scott Reiter, Wendy Colvin, John Colvin. Mike Johnson, Dean Alby, Mike Riedy.

### Review of Meeting Minutes for January 19, 2016 and Treasurer's Report

The minutes were presented. Laura Pascoe indicated she was present at the meeting and the initials for James Bryant's organization are EWMEC.

There was a motion to approve the minutes moved by Dick Robb and Seconded by James Bryant. The corrections were accepted and the motion approved.

Wendy Colvin reported that we had spent \$635 towards Dean attending FEMA training and had a balance of \$8,109.56.

There was a motion to accept the Treasurer's report by Dick Robb seconded by Robert Worlock.

Partner Spot Light - Kelle Landavazo, Interim Emergency Manager, City of Gresham

Kelle shared introductory comments. She described the various locations her department would operate from during an emergency. She discussed the "partnering" that has been developed to respond in an emergency. The city has 500 employees, which are her team. Culturally shifted so that employees now understand they will be part of the EOC. She gets involved in everybody's business.

Dean pointed out that ORVOAD does not act unless there is a request for our services. Alice encouraged organizations to contact County Emergency managers if you are getting requests from out on the street in case the managers have not been contacted. So Dean's mantra is "no self activation." Response comes from the community first. Kelle pointed out a "looping in of information" that was beneficial during the storm crisis. Scott commented that the public no longer waits for us. He gave the example of the Aumsville tornado; the Adventists were on the scene and working immediately. Kim mentioned a situation where Salvation Army self-deployed. Laura noted the Battle Ground tornado went right by her daughter's school and immediately contacted with notice they had a chain saw crew. Scott mentioned the difference between COAD's and VOAD's at the state level. His COAD is and all volunteer organization and would self activate. Alice related request for help in White Salmon but couldn't respond because of a government discomfort. Steve Courtney indicated the key is talking about and practicing mobilization and demobilization and described different levels of a church structure.

### Nominations Committee – Tom Hogan

The Nominating Committee consists of Dan Moseler, Dick Raub and Tom with Kim Pettina as the Executive Board Liaison.

This is a transition year to the new Bylaws and all the positions on the Executive Board will be elected this year. The President, VP-Rural, Secretary and Member-at-Large are elected on even numbered years, which would be this year, as it is 2016. These will be elected for the new full term of two years. The Member-at-Large position is new to the Board and this will be the first time for this position.

The other three positions, VP-Urban, Treasurer and Business Relations Liaison, will also be elected but this year for only one-year terms. Next year they would be elected for a regular two-year term

and be the only ones elected because the other officers would be on the second year of a two-year term. The Business Relations Liaison is new to the Board and this will be the first time for this position.

The election will be May 17th at the Annual Meeting.

The slate of recommended candidates:

CANDIATES FOR ORVOAD OFFICERS 2016-2018 Nominating Committee Recommended Slate for a two year term July 1, 2016-June 30, 2018:

President Dean Alby, Oregon Food Bank; Vice-President Rural Charlene Larsen, Lutheran Disaster Response; Secretary Member-at-Large Dallas Brannon, Team Rubicon USA; Secretary position <u>is open</u>; Vice-President Urban Treasurer Kim Pettina, Salvation Army; Treasurer Wendy Colvin; Business Relations Liaison <u>has no present nominee</u>.

Tom pointed out Dean's overview of the duties of Secretary. Any suggestions, recommendations, or nominations should be directed to committee members.

There was a question about what happens if there is no nominee in advance of the meeting.

Strategic Plan - Dean

### **Committee Reports**

## **Bylaws, Policies and Procedures** – Dean Alby

## Strategic Plan

Steve Courtney complement Dean Hatcher, Denise Everhart, Alice Busch all did a great job on the Strategic Planning Committee. Sandy Hinmon initially brought it to the floor. Dean indicated the "look" is purely "me" as well as many of the introductory statements. For the next thirty days individuals can send in updates and/or corrections. He will send out the corrected document and there will be a final up or down vote. Brent complemented those involved in the effort. Member organizations that have paid their dues can vote.

Dean encouraged "new" individuals to serve on committees.

# **Bylaws**

Will do bylaws and procedures. Policies are voted by the whole organizations.

# **Long Term Recovery Groups, COAD and VOAD Development** - Charlene Larsen

Becky Platt and Sherry Young and Dan Moseler have been active within the group. The wildfires in Grant County initiated our long-term recovery effort. Support was provided in the middle of the incident. They formed a non-profit fiscal agent to cover the monetary donations and to use the Grant County Fairgrounds as a collection and distribution site for the donations that poured in. There were 43 homes involved in the fire. They had a community garage sale; which raised an additional \$17,000 to support the community. They put hay in storage at a closed sawmill. They are still receiving monetary donations. There are about seven families who have decided to rebuild in the Canyon Creek Complex. The county hired Ted Williams as their emergency manager and had grant money from OEM to support the position. Concern about a fast thaw and a spring threshed that could cause flooding.

The flooding in December. One mobile home in Columbia County was identified as needing help. She related details of the FEMA report. Charlene is puzzled by the difference between the report and her information. Dean related his observation that we were told there were no needs in Columbia County but there were that we had not been informed of which was the basis for a federal aid request for assistance. John Colvin described a review his group did investigating a trailer park, which is different from Red Cross, where they identified needs that had had not previously been determined. The conversation related to using

operating procedures that have been developed in other areas being revised to serve our purposes.

## Membership Committee - Brent Carlson

There are 56 members of national VOAD but only around 19 are in ORVOAD. Brent requested help contacting those organizations. Brent will meet with Sandy and will meet with Steve and Dean. He'll send out a notice to see if they know these folks. Alice, Wendy, and Brent will have a conference call after tax season.

### **Communications Committee** – Scott Reuter

Scott described the present "Visionlink" website does not look good on mobile. Criteria was developed that if we going to move away from the format what should it do. Load well and look good from mobile device. Dean, Robert, and Scott met and were leaning towards Wordpress. He described the reasonable cost and convenience. He expressed reasons for not including local COAD's sites on this site. Alice suggested communicating to the national the weaknesses of their website. Scott is on the National VOAD Communications committee. Alice asked why we want to have a website. The team is coming up with objectives for our approval.

## **Current ORVOAD response**

Charlene has Men of Faith In Action (MAFIA) available to work under mobile home. Dean indicated we need a fundraising activity annually. Thrivant Financial is providing some funding for Clatskanie. In Clackamas County there was a request for support. There was a couple who was in the flooding in Oregon City. The individual does not qualify for veteran's assistance. It was clear that we should have a proper protocol to do an assessment. There was already a lot of remodeling that had already taken place. There is the question of whether the problem was flood or maintenance related. Steve Bullock pointed out the need for us to do desktops with people who attend the ORVOAD meetings so we know what services each provides. Dean noted we need a planning manager that comes from county and/or state. Mike Riedy will probably be down for two weeks beginning the 24th of March. It will relate to long-term recovery. He asked if we had done UNCORE training? No one signed up. It was established that five of the individuals had done case management. Steve Courtney pointed out there are two assessments. The first is there still damage and the paperwork has to be worked. A handful of individuals have been involved in a disaster in the past three months. John Colvin noted that any general contractor is capable of doing an assessment. Kim observed we didn't have any release papers signed in the Clackamas situation. We are all at "conscious incompetence." John noted that with MDS need a release form. We need a standardized one.

# Organizational Highlights - Membership Roundtable

Mike observed that doing rebuilds keep in the back of the mind has it been evaluated for flood plain. There are trainings in our area that Dean will share.

Jay observed that nationally World Renewal have been working on needs assessments.

Curtis observed they have installed around 3,000 smoke alarms since July  $1^{st}$ . Hope to do another 1,000. They have responders.

Dick is putting together an inter-service earthquake preparedness. Before, between, or after a service. How to prepare and where and how you get help

Robert doing communication, promoting personal preparedness.

Christian works behind the scenes with the Disaster Distress Hotline and described their efforts in depth. He pointed out how crisis centers need to be up an operating quickly after a disaster. Organized around Flint water crisis.

Dean noted that the Oregon Food Bank is getting satellite phones.

Steve Courtney thanked the chance to share some of his thoughts.

Tom is just starting to talk about the awards lunch.

Chris Cochran is offering assistance with documentation. PGE is working on resiliency. Putting in new equipment. Have 100 new satellite phones and hand helds are getting multifunctionality.

Laura Pascoe noted quite a few schools have heard from parents regarding what we can do with out schools to handle a disaster?

Alice Busch noted this might be her last ORVOAD meeting and Steve Bullock will be representing Multnomah Emergency Management but she will work in the background.

Justin comes from Coast Guard background quite a bit of diffence from military to civilian perspective.

Brent deferred to Dean regarding representatives at the Annual Conference. Dean is getting some support. We'd pay registration not to exceed \$500. In Minneapolis. Regional in Bozman. Brent moved

Steve Sirkin, had Carmen Merlo and Alice Busch do presentation to agency and synagogue staffs on preparation. Visited Christchurch and has been sharing "When A City Falls"

Wendy Colvin noted Mennonite Disaster is working across the country returned from Petarus, WA and finished four homes. Okanagan's fire was bigger than a number of eastern states. It involved over 310 houses. They are finishing off and will be moving to California or other areas. Okanagan did not get a Federal declaration. Dean observed NW Baptists are deploying for new flooding.

The meeting ended at 3:40 p.m.