

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2016

Northwest Viticulture Center, Salem OR

OSBA LPC members in attendance at meeting start: Chair LeeAnn Larsen, Doug Nelson, Betty Reynolds, Don Cruise, Dave Krumbein, Francisco Acosta, Jr., Paul Anthony, Chris Brantley, Andrew Bryan, Tim Carpenter, Kevin Cassidy, Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Betsy Earls, Jake Gibbs, Liz Hartman, Cheri Helt, Kris Howatt, Greg Kintz, Fred Marble, Dean McAllister, Jill O'Donnell, Hank Perry, Craig Prewitt, Stan Primozych, Scott Rogers, Kim Strelchun, Lori Theros, Becky Tymchuk, Dawn Watson, Maureen Wolf, Kent Zook

OSBA staff in attendance at meeting start: Executive Director Betsy Miller-Jones, Deputy Executive Director Jim Green, Morgan Allen, Donna Herren, Steve Kelley, Lori Sattenspiel, Tyler Shipman, Peggy Stock, Jane Leonhardt

OSBA LPC members not in attendance: Ron Adams, Trina Comerford, David Dowrie, Kaye Jones, Amy Kohnstamm, Terry Lenchitsky, Tass Morrison, Rose Wilde

The OSBA Board of Directors and Legislative Policy Committee listened to a presentation delivered by Craig Hawkins, Executive Director of Confederated Oregon School Administrators, Richard Sanders, Executive Director of Oregon Education Association, and Betsy Miller-Jones from 12:30-1:30 p.m. regarding the Promise Campaign and Oregon Rising.

Chair LeeAnn Larsen called the meeting to order at 1:42 p.m.

I. Welcome, introductions and workplan

Chair LeeAnn Larsen welcomed committee members and asked them to introduce themselves by indicating what board they serve on, how long they have been serving on the OSBA LPC and/or their local board, and what their first car was.

Paul Warner entered the meeting at 1:52 p.m.

II. Presentation: Paul Warner, Legislative Revenue Officer

LeeAnn introduce Paul Warner, Legislative Revenue Officer for the State of Oregon. Mr. Warner reported on the major premises of tax reform and outlined historical changes in general fund revenue. He spoke about key elements in tax restructure efforts over the last several years, about IP 28, and the overall state economic effects of revenue reform. He reviewed Oregon's revenue history post-Measure 5, the volatility of the current revenue system, and options for changing the current revenue system.

Ben Unger entered the meeting at 2:47 p.m.

Mr. Warner received questions regarding selective sales tax and Ohio's commercial activity tax and the impact it has had on business in that state.

The meeting recessed at 2:53 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 3:00 p.m.

III. Presentation: Initiative Petition 28

LeeAnn introduced Ben Unger, Executive Director of Our Oregon, and Richard Sanders, Executive Director of Oregon Education Association. Mr. Unger addressed why they are proposing IP 28 and how they arrived upon this idea. The initiative proposes raising the minimum tax for C-corporations with more than \$25 million in sales in Oregon. Discussion was held of the methodology of division of funds if the measure were to pass. Mr. Unger outlined how the campaign is proceeding and what is expected from the opposition campaign.

IV. Role and responsibilities of LPC members

LeeAnn referred to the document in the meeting packet which outlines roles and responsibilities of Legislative Policy Committee members. She requested everyone review it to make sure they are aware of their duties and expectations.

V. Review of 2015 session and preview 2016 session

Jim Green reviewed the 2015 legislative session and accomplishments of the OSBA legislative team. He thanked LPC members who showed up at the capitol when called upon. The legislative team will be holding weekly conference calls every Friday at noon during the short legislative session to provide updates on what is going on in the capitol. About 50 bills will impact K-12. Lori Sattenspiel talked about the minimum wage bill and the effect it will have on school districts. Morgan Allen discussed bills before the legislature, including fifth year programs, transfers and open enrollment, and changes to Oregon's public records laws.

VI. Federal issues update

Morgan Allen delivered a PowerPoint presentation regarding ESEA/ESSA which provided background information, timelines and key provisions of the ESSA. Morgan discussed major changes from the NCLB, such as elimination of state ESEA waivers and school improvement grants, and key ESSA dates. ODE is assembling four workgroups on standards, accountability, school improvement, and educator effectiveness. Names will be submitted by OSBA for school board member participation on those workgroups. Discussion followed regarding opt-out.

VII. Report on fall regional/region roundtable discussions

LeeAnn asked committee members to talk around their individual tables and update each other on their fall regional or local regional meetings.

Betsy Earls exited the meeting at 4:38 p.m.

Tables reported out on their discussions.

The meeting recessed at 4:49 p.m.

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Chair Leeann Larsen called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

I. Overview of work plan for the day

Chair LeeAnn Larsen welcomed committee members back and reviewed the committee's work plan for the day.

***Betsy Earls and Dave Krumbein entered the meeting at 8:09 a.m. ***

II. Review of LPC homework: legislative policies and priorities

Jim Green asked assigned groups to review and discuss existing OSBA policies and priorities which serve as the starting point for the LPC's work in 2017-18. He reminded everyone that the priorities are the proactive agenda items for the legislative session. Policies are broad in nature and guide OSBA team on legislation that comes forward during session.

The groups were asked to note existing policies or priorities which need to be modified or deleted or if additions are called for.

The meeting recessed at 9:48 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:55 a.m.

III. Table reports on policies and priorities

Each group reported on their discussions regarding current OSBA policies and priorities. Jim indicated the legislative team will look at the existing priorities, and will add common themes from the day's discussions. He summarized the process by which the policies and priorities will be submitted as a resolution to the membership for adoption in the fall.

The meeting recessed at 10:38 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:46 a.m.

Group discussion was held regarding wording of existing OSBA legislative policies.

IV. Discussion on ballot initiatives

Positive feedback was received regarding Paul Warner's presentation. Jim reviewed two other initiative petitions that could potentially make the November ballot: Stand for Children and Outdoor School.

Morgan facilitated a discussion about fifth year programs and a bill which is now being promoted which compromises by targeting at-risk students and lowering the amount of money coming from the school fund.

Betsy asked for the committee's input on the Oregon Rising presentation on Saturday. She indicated OSBA will continue to participate in the conversation with COSA and OEA. Committee members voiced concerns about the partnership, but agreed that cooperation between the three organizations could be beneficial.

LeeAnn thanked members for their participation and reminded everyone of the next LPC meeting on April 22-23 in Eugene.

Chair LeeAnn Larsen adjourned the meeting at 11:53 a.m.