

FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2016
Valley River Inn, Eugene, OR

OSBA committee members in attendance at meeting start: Chair and OSBA Vice President LeeAnn Larsen, OSBA President Doug Nelson, OSBA President-elect Betty Reynolds, OSBA Secretary-Treasurer Don Cruise, OSBA Past President Dave Krumbein, Ron Adams, Paul Anthony, Chris Brantley, Kevin Cassidy, David Dowrie, Sherry Duerst-Higgins, Jake Gibbs, Liz Hartman, Cheri Helt, Kris Howatt, Kaye Jones, Greg Kintz, Amy Kohnstamm, John Lindenthal, Fred Marble, Tass Morrison, Jill O'Donnell, Hank Perry, Stan Primozich, Scott Rogers, Kim Strelchun, Lori Theros, Dawn Watson, Rose Wilde, Maureen Wolf

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

OSBA committee members not in attendance: Francisco Acosta, Jr., Andrew Bryan, Trina Comerford, Betsy Earls, Terry Lenchitsky, Dean McAllister, Craig Prewitt, Becky Tymchuk, Kent Zook

Chair LeeAnn Larsen called the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m.

I. Welcome and introductions

Chair LeeAnn Larsen asked committee members to introduce themselves, say what school board they serve on, and share as a child what they wanted to be when they grew up.

II. Consent agenda

A. Approval of minutes

1. January 30-31, 2016, OSBA Legislative Policy Committee meeting minutes

Motion: Doug Nelson moved approval of the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Fred Marble.

The committee voted and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Notes from LPC review of legislative policies and priorities - January 2016
Included in the meeting packet were notes taken from the LPC's review of Legislative Policies and Priorities at the January 31, 2016 meeting.

V. OSBA Revenue Reform Advisory Workgroup

This item was taken out of order, as guest presenters had not arrived yet. Betty Reynolds provided a status report of the workgroup's activities, introduced its members, and outlined the workgroup charge. At the LPC meeting in January 2016, Jim Green provided background on Oregon's revenue system and the committee also heard from Paul Warner, Legislative Revenue Officer, and Ben Unger and Richard Sanders, in support of Initiative Petition 28 (A Better

Oregon). OSBA staff drafted policies and priorities based on the work the LPC did in January, including the addition of the new priority of revenue reform. The workgroup met with Senator Mark Hass on April 14, 2016, to hear about his revenue reform proposal. A handout from Senator Hass was provided to meeting attendees. Sen. Hass believes IP 28 will be very expensive and divisive. He proposes instead a .39% commercial activity tax on all businesses with at least \$1 million in sales. He projects it could raise \$1 billion in the 2017-19 biennium and that half of the revenue will go to K-12-CC education. Other pieces of Sen. Hass' proposal were outlined.

The workgroup has three upcoming meetings to further explore revenue reform options. The workgroup will draft a plan in consideration of all input and will send it to the LPC for comment, then it will go to the board in June. The plan will also be presented to local board members during fall regional meetings. Discussion ensued regarding the viability of IP 28 vs. Sen Hass' proposal. Jim reminded the LPC that OSBA currently does not endorse any proposed tax plan.

Duncan Wyse and John Tapogna entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

III. Presentation: Opposition to Initiative Petition 28

Duncan Wyse, President of Oregon Business Council (OBC), expressed his appreciation for its partnership with OSBA. OBC is part of a large coalition of organizations opposed to IP 28 and is asking for OSBA's leadership. Duncan indicated that IP 28 is a bad idea. He admitted there is need for a stable, comprehensive education package, but opined an alternative solution must be found that addresses the issue. John Tapogna, President of EconNW, has been working to prepare opposition to explain what the measure is. He outlined the concerns about the initiative petition, including the fact that there is no plan on how to spend the money; it is a blank check to the legislature. He indicated a forum is needed that involves government, business and the community to have a conversation about a solution. LPC members expressed their appreciation for the position expressed by the Mr. Wyse and Mr. Tapogna.

Duncan Wyse and John Tapogna exited the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

The meeting recessed at 8:01 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:09 p.m.

Betsy Earls entered the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

IV. Committee discussion of opposition to Initiative Petition 28 presentation

LPC members had a lengthy discussion about the different aspects of IP 28. The board will make a decision at the June board meeting on whether to support or oppose IP 28. The LPC may advise the board on their general feeling about the initiative. The plan is to work closely to gather more information so a plan can be developed to take back to local boards. The question is what is it we do support and how do we walk the tightrope between opposing the initiative, but then ask for funds if it becomes a reality. Doug Nelson reminded everyone of the work of the Revenue Reform Advisory Workgroup, which is to help determine what it is OSBA supports, and what options are available. Jim advised the committee that OSBA legislative staff have been

tasked with writing memos to the board showing the pros and cons of Initiative Petitions 28, 65 and 67. Jim indicated the Revenue Reform Advisory Workgroup is not only looking at a gross receipts tax, sales tax, or a commercial activity tax, they also looking at property tax reform. LeeAnn thanked the committee for a good discussion and advised they will be receiving more information. Betty Reynolds indicated a draft report from the advisory workgroup should be ready around the end of May-beginning of June.

VI. Preview draft OSBA 2017-18 Policies and Priorities

Jim referred committee members to the draft staff cut of the 2017-18 legislative policies and priorities. On Saturday the draft will be projected onto a screen, and as language coeleges around the table, Morgan will make changes to the document in real time. Priorities are proactive legislative items. Policies are broad statements that guide the legislative team. Jim noted additions and deletions in the policies and priorities and asked that as committee members review the draft they make notes on needed additions or changes.

The meeting recessed at 8:55 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016
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OSBA staff in attendance at meeting start: Executive Director Betsy Miller-Jones, Deputy Executive Director Jim Green, Morgan Allen, Donna Herren, Lori Sattenspiel, Tyler Shipman, Jane Leonhardt

Guests in attendance at meeting start: Holly Fifield, Policy Advisor for Rep. Mark Johnson

OSBA committee members not in attendance: Andrew Bryan, Trina Comerford, Terry Lenchitsky, Dean McAllister, Craig Prewitt, Becky Tymchuk, Kent Zook

Chair LeeAnn Larsen called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

I. Welcome and overview

Jim Green outlined the committee's work for the day.

II. Review of draft OSBA 2017-18 Legislative Policies and Priorities

Jim summarized the process for proposed changes to the legislative policies and priorities. Priorities are proactive items and policies are broad ideas. Jim reminded everyone that although the policies are numbered, that does not indicate an order of importance or priority. The group began reviewing OSBA's legislative priorities. No new priorities were proposed by the committee.

Becky Tymchuk entered the meeting at 8:34 a.m.

The committee reviewed legislative policies for potential language changes and/or additions. Jim reminded the committee that policies are broad statements that guide the legislative team through legislative session.

The meeting recessed at 9:43 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 10:06 a.m.

III. Continue review of draft Legislative Policies and Priorities

Betsy briefly provided information about the "Oregon Rising" program being promoted by

COSA, OSBA and OEA. The goal is for 10,000 people to complete the survey about what education in Oregon should look like. Betsy showed the second video released and asked everyone to take and share the survey. Host information is available at www.oregon-rising.org.

In-depth discussion was held regarding Policy 1.7, Oregon's Common School Fund. Jim indicated this is a new paragraph and explained the common school fund. LPC member Jake Gibbs provided a handout regarding the Elliott Transfer Opportunity (a Common School Fund asset), which gave background on the Elliott Forest. The State Land Board (SLB) is proposing to sell the Elliott Forest and reinvest the funds. Jake described the time line, which is moving quickly. Jim indicated a policy is needed that is broad enough to cover all resources within the common school fund, and to make sure the SLB fulfills its fiduciary duty. Discussion was held regarding the O&C lands and its management. There was general agreement with the policy as written.

The meeting recessed at 11:55 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 12:35 p.m.

OSBA staff continued to lead the committee in review of Section 4 of the legislative policies.

A general overview of proposed changes to that point was made by the committee. Jim indicated that Morgan Allen will accept all proposed changes and will email a copy of the proposed document to committee members for comment. The LPC will vote to send the proposed policies and priorities as a recommendation to board. The board will send them out as a resolution to be adopted by the membership.

Discussion was held regarding proposed OSBA federal policies. Jim reminded committee members that in January the committee instructed OSBA staff to address broadly federal issues. OSBA has never previously had federal legislative policies.

Discussion was held regarding traditionally underserved students. Jim indicated staff will draft and include language in a preamble.

The meeting recessed at 1:52 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 2:04 p.m.

V. Vote on draft 2017-2019 Legislative Policies and Priorities

Due to listserv issues Morgan was unable to send the revised draft of the legislative policies and priorities to committee members.

Motion: Rose Wilde moved to approve the draft OSBA Policies and Priorities for 2017-18 as revised, including the federal policies. Seconded by Scott Rogers.

Jim encouraged committee members to read the draft proposed legislative policies and priorities when Morgan is able to send them out and to provide staff with comments.

Betty Reynolds thanked OSBA staff for synthesizing the committee's discussion into firm ideas. She also thanked the LPC for their work on the policies and priorities

The committee voted and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m.