

Oregon Rural School Board Members Caucus

Leadership Assembly Meeting

September 28, 2026, 6 PM

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Members Attending: Tracy Adevai, Glide, President; Kris Lachenmeier, VP; Mary Anne Crandall, Pinehurst, Secretary/Treasurer; Dale Keene, Amy Charette, Tom Posegate, Greg Kintz, Karen Patton, Addie Hutchinson, Clyde Rood

Guests: Stacy Michaels, Chris Cronin, Dawn Watson, Anne Keeler(Pendleton)

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm

I. Welcome

Tracy Adevai, President, welcomed all participants to the meeting

II. Roll Call/Quorum Check

III. Approval of the Agenda

Dale Keene made a motion to approve the Leadership Assembly agenda

Clyde Rood seconded the motion

Vote: Unanimous approval

IV. Approval of Minutes

a. May 21, 2026 Leadership Meeting

Mary Anne Crandall made a motion to approve the Leadership Assembly minutes of May 21, 2026

Dale Keene seconded the motion

Vote: Unanimous approval

V. OSBA BOD passed Governance Committee Recommendations for Bylaws Changes

The OSBA BOD passed the Governance Committee recommendations for bylaws changes that will go before all school boards to vote on between October 15 and December 15, 2026.

A lengthy discussion ensued, with members voicing questions and concerns about the changes to the caucuses. Chris, Dawn and Stacy attempted to answer the questions. Any further discussion or questions can be directed to Chris Cronin, Dawn Watson, Stacy Michaelson.

VI. AC Update- Rural Caucus to host presentation on Rural Visibility

The rural caucus will host a presentation on Rural Visibility from Catalyst Public Policy Advisors with Representative Owens, and a panel of Amy Charette, Mark Witty, Andrew Bryan and Nick Green

VII. End of Year Fiscal Report

The end-of-year fiscal report was submitted to OSBA2026

VIII. All Scholarships Announcements

Announcements will be sent out ASAP for all scholarships – Annual Conference, Board Development and Advocacy to all boards at once

Kris Lachenmeier made a motion to approve

Dale Keene seconded the motion

Vote: Unanimous.

IX. Summer School Sessions Update

The summer school sessions were held with about 100 in attendance. It was a one-day event in Redmond and Eugene. The plan is to continue the one-day event next year at two different locations.

Comments from members were that there were no choices in having different workshops; it was more geared toward new board members; interaction focus was lacking but better than expected; new people attended with good discussions

X. Stacy Updates

The Legislature is preparing for the long session in 2027 – what to expect in 2027; get input from legislators. There will be follow-up on the SPED cap, public meetings, and AI.

A tight state budget is anticipated

PERS 27-29 changes were adopted by OSBA

XI. Greater Good/Thoughts/Comments

None

XII. Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm

