

**ORNCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2013 SKYPE MEETING**

Present: Gary Baran, Stephen Blechman, Sally Marie, Louis Velarde.

1. The meeting was called to order at 11:05 am, followed by a check in.
2. Gary gave a brief report on plans for the ORNCC sponsored training he will be offering in Lincoln City on May 25th, and he agreed to bring ORNCC materials to sell at that training.
3. The September 7th Community Gathering will be held at Minto-Brown Island Park in Salem. Steve shared his vision about, and agreed to provide overall coordination for, this event which will include an Open Space forum and perhaps a community bike ride at the end of the day. Steve proposed the following tentative schedule: plenary session from 10 to 11 am, followed by a break until 11:15 am, then a session until lunch at 1 pm, and an afternoon session following lunch. ***Gary agreed to provide, before the April board meeting, a brief description of Open Space Technology (OST) that could be included in announcements to the network about the gathering. Sally agreed to draft a letter to trainers within the next 10 days, which she will then send to the other board members for editing/approval, before sending it to the trainers. Immediately following the April meeting, Steve will draft a letter to the network about the gathering, including information about registration.*** Steve may ask Tim Buckley to take on responsibility for on site logistics and Selene Aitken to facilitate the Open Space forum. ***Sally will contact Selene about this after we have the letter about OST done.*** Steve mentioned that in order for the event to have an amplified sound system will require a permit and a fee (possibly \$50). ***Sally will try to check out the site to see if this is needed and, if so, whether more than one sound system is needed.***
4. Website Development: ***Sally agreed to contact Judy Rintoul to get Adam Dopkin's contact information so we can connect with him directly. Louis agreed to connect with Craig Hennecke and Adam Dopkin about the website, listen to their ideas, and bring his feedback (including cost estimates for work that could be done) to the April 7th board meeting. He will also see if Adam can join that meeting via Skype and if so, will get Adam's Skype address. Board members agreed to make a list of what we would want on the website. Louis will see if he can find a room in Portland with a projector set up that will enable us to look at various websites on a large screen.***

Connections with Craig about website updates: We agreed that Gary will continue to send Craig board minutes and meeting dates, and that other requests for changes on the website will come through Steve, at least until the September gathering. Other board members will send such request to Steve, preferably in a form that can go directly to Craig.

The Board discussed how to let people know about out of area trainings and webinars without overwhelming people who receive ORNCC newsletters or email from ORNCC. ***Louis agreed to ask Adam if our having an improved website could be used effectively to facilitate sharing this kind of information.***

5. The Board updated its meeting schedule as follows:

*May 19th--Portland (in a public space that Louis finds or at Steve's house)

*June 29th-30th Yachats at Sally's house.

*August 11th --Salem (or Eugene as an alternate)

6. Action Items from Previous Meetings (only those remaining incomplete are still in bold and italics):

a. Craig agreed to provide board members with a draft application form for funding requests to ORNCC, based on the policy adopted in at the November 2012 meeting, and to provide this draft by the Feb 17th meeting.

b. To facilitate a closer connection between the Board and Sarah Peyton, who edits ORNCC newsletters, Sally will invite her to attend the next Board meeting in Portland.

c. Louis agreed to create an ORNCC policy archive by the May 19th meeting.

d. Steve will look for a suitable outdoor space for an ORNCC sponsored gathering to be held on the Saturday or Sunday following Labor Day. He will also ask Tim Buckley if he and Elaine Hultengren would be willing to focalize this gathering. STEVE FOUND A SUITABLE SITE, A PARK IN SALEM, WHICH HE RESERVED. TIM SAID HE WOULD BE WILLING TO SERVE ON A COMMITTEE TO SUPPORT THE GATHERING BUT WAS NOT WILLING TO PROVIDE OVERALL COORDINATION.

*e. Sally will arrange for a report about the January 19th, 2013 gathering, with photos, to be sent to those on our email list. DONE **Sally will also email the people who signed up for the "NVC in Schools" group to give them the contact information of the others and to encourage them to create a work group around this topic, and invite them to request ORNCC to post notices on the website that could help the group achieve its goals.***

f. Gary agreed to draft a message outlining what ORNCC expects from local organizers (which he will first share with the Board) of ORNCC sponsored training and to begin to work with Rose Jade to set up a day long training on some Saturday in the Newport/Lincoln City area, for which ORNCC would supply a trainer. GARY CONTACTED ROSE JADE AND LET HER KNOW WHAT'S NEEDED TO ORGANIZE A TRAINING; ONE HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, MAY 25TH IN LINCOLN CITY. GARY WILL BE THE TRAINER AS PER BOARD AGREEMENT, OFFERING HIS SERVICES AT NO COST TO ORNCC, AND HE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH ROSE ON DETAILS. THE BOARD APPROVED COVERING SOME OF HIS EXPENSES.

g. The Board agreed that Gary will ask Craig to add to the website summaries of ORNCC accomplishments from 2010 through 2012.DONE

h. Gary will notify Tina about its decision to continue with its current policy of providing funding support only for certified trainers. DONE.

*i. **Each board member will review Craig's recent email about the website and try to come up with a clear definition of our target population and how we can use the website to reach those people.***

j. Before the next Board meeting Sally will ask current Governing Council members Michael Dreiling and Lisa-Marie DiVincent if they would like the Board to vet nominations to the Board in the future.

Adjourned at 12:45 pm...until April 7th in Salem.

All current action items are in bold and italics above.

Additional item for future meeting:

Follow up with Craig about parenting orgs and draft form letter to leaders of these orgs to see if they would be interested in NVC training

**Respectfully submitted,
Gary Baran, Secretary**