

OEMA MINUTES EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

January 21, 2015 Moore, Oklahoma 10:00 a.m.

- 1. President Roger Jolliff called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. Members present: Roger Jolliff, Rob Hill, Joey Wakefield, Keith Shadden, Steve Loftis, Tracey Smithwick, David Ball, Kevin Rhodes, Debra Wagner, Skip Wilkerson, Tim Craighton, James Hocker, Andrea Melvin & Keli Cain
- 2. Minutes of December 2, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Kevin Rhodes and seconded by Tim Craighton. Motion passed.
- 3. President's minute: Jolliff welcomed James Hocker and Andrea Melvin to the meeting. He mentioned that the ITEMC conference would be held in Choctaw June 9-11, which conflicts with the June OEMA meeting. A new date should be selected. Jolliff stated the he felt like the new year had started out in high gear for everyone, with lots of training and other things going on.
- 4. Subcommittee Reports
 - a. Financial Report: Although Glynadee was unable to attend, she provided the Financial Report that shows a total of \$50,651.97 in the account after payments totaling \$3,737.95 were made. In addition, plastic cups were ordered for Legislative Day at a cost of \$356.87. A motion to approve the Financial Report was made by Tim Craighton and seconded by Tracey Smithwick. Motion passed.
 - b. Committee reports:

Legislative: The Board heard a legislative briefing from Keli Cain. She identified the following bills as being followed by OEM.

HB1028-County Commissioners have the right to remove blighted buildings.

HB1062-requiring emergency evacuation plans for nursing homes and generators for specialized facilities.

HB1075-terminate the Red Cedar Act and turn issue over to DEQ.

HB1076-Red Cedar Control Program using prisoners for the workforce.

SB36-allowing backup generators in neighborhoods controlled by HOAs.

SB62-making it illegal to aim lasers at planes.

SB249-making emergency mental health services available during disasters.

SB??-releases liability from volunteers working with the Safe Schools 101 program.

Keli asked that any bills of concern to emergency managers be forwarded to her for review. Joey Wakefield mentioned that there was a critical bill by Senator Paddock concerning 911 Centers, but it had not been filed yet.

Paula Cain reminded the Board that Legislative Day was scheduled for February 25. James & Andrea agreed to provide a presentation there, as did NWS. Cain said the Board will meet at 8 a.m. to hand deliver invitations that day. OEMA will provide donuts for the morning. Cain also asked for suggestions on displays for the event. Rob Hill asked to communicate that a lot of help is needed during the event and to encourage everyone to come. Keli will check on Proclamations.

Training: No training report was available. What are the obstacles and what needs to be done to move forward?

Communication: No communications report was available.

Certification: No certification report was available.

Membership: Paula Cain reported that she and Glynadee had worked together and believed that the membership list was completely updated. Only a few members have yet to pay.

Social Media: Work continues on new website. Jeff Smith discussed updating the website by upgrading to the Premier level, which provides more for a dollar less. A motion was made by Keith Shadden and seconded by Deb Wagner to upgrade the website to the premier level. The motion passed. Jeff also asked for a high resolution copy of the logo.

c. Area Vice Presidents reports:

Southwest: Workshop will be held in Elk City March 11 & 12. A meeting is scheduled for

February 5 in Warika. The sop for the Incident Support Team will be reviewed.

Southeast: The next meeting will be held in McAlister on March 3, with the workshop

scheduled for June 17-19.

Northeast: Joey Wakefield reported that the NE Area Workshop would be held March 31-

April 2 in Miami, possibly at the Coleman Theater. The next area meeting will

be March 4 in Chandler.

Central: At the last meeting a representative from American Drones demonstrated their

product, which was very impressive, but expensive. November 4-6 has been

selected for their workshop.

Northwest Members will meeting in Woodward on February 13th to plan the workshop.

5. Old Business:

There was no old business.

6. New Business:

a. James Hocker and Andrea Melvin provided a presentation on the Mesonet Summer Weather Camp. Students pay \$495.00 to attend the week-long camp. Many are recommended by teachers and other groups. Staff reviews the applications, as only 24 can attend. OEMA contribution of \$1000 will pay for two low-income students to attend the camp. OEMA hopes to introduce the two students, in some way, to the membership during conference. Several ideas were discussed.

James aslo mentioned that that the national Weather Association will hold their annual conference in OKC October 19-22. Members discussed having a booth at this conference.

- b. Legislative Day discussion continued. It was decided to continue with the same agenda and serve popcorn and ice cream again.
- 7. A motion to adjourn was made by Tim Craighton and seconded by Joey Wakefield. The motion passed.

The OEMA Board reconvened to discuss the conference.

- --Membership gift has been selected.
- --Some names were missed on Memorial Board. Info was provided by members and Area VPs. Can we do this without future errors? Maybe we should confirm with Area Coordinators. Develop submission form and add to website.
- --Provide bylaw changes to members earlier through email with copies attached.
- --General discussion on banquet included: bad food, no alcohol, awards too long, whole thing too long, too formal or not formal enough, what can be changed to make it better.
- --Suggested topics :

James Spann

James DeHaven

Gary England

Mitigation Plan panel

Mud Slide guy

Earthquake causes

Volunteer management

Public Assistance changes

IPAWS (speaker identified) have Putnam at our next meeting please.

Dr. Tim Brown-drought

Eli Jackson-severe weather maps

Making an emergency plan/kit simple

WeatherBrains live from conference?

Mesonet Weather Camp?

Rick Smith's presentation from Arizona