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BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, February 9th, 2-4pm
Lausmann Annex, Conference Room 151
200 S. Ivy Street, Medford, OR 97501

Welcome and introductions.....	2:00-2:05
RBP member/partner announcements..... <i>Members/Partners (info)</i>	2:05-2:25
Consent agenda approval..... <i>Sam Whitridge (info/action)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• January meeting minutes• January standing committee & staff report• January financial report	2:25-2:35
Approval of new RBP member, Illinois Valley SWCD..... <i>Sam Whitridge (info/action)</i>	2:35-2:40
Review/approval of RBP Conflict of Interest document..... <i>Sam Whitridge (info/action)</i>	2:40-3:10
Board retreat planning update..... <i>Robert Coffan (info)</i>	3:10-3:15
Conservation policy discussion..... <i>Sam Whitridge (info/action)</i>	3:15-4:00
Happy Hour! Informal networking at <i>Bricktowne</i>	4:00-5:00

February 9th Board Meeting Minutes

Recorded by T. Lombardi

Present:

Kelly Coates, <i>RBP Chair</i>	Robert Coffan, <i>RBP Vice Chair</i>
Greg Stabach, <i>RBP Secretary</i>	Denis Reich, <i>RBP Treasurer</i>
Jake Crawford, <i>RBP Board</i>	Paige Prewett, <i>RBP Board</i>
Gail Grogan-Perrotti, <i>RBP Board</i>	Eugene Wier, <i>RBP Board</i>
Chrysten Lambert, <i>RBP Board</i>	Sam Whitridge, <i>Managing Director</i>
Thera Lombardi, <i>RBP Staff</i>	Stephanie Danyi, <i>City of Ashland</i>
Stacey Detwiler, <i>Rogue Riverkeeper</i>	Jim McCarthy, <i>WaterWatch</i>
Craig Harper, <i>Medford Water Commission</i>	John Roberts, <i>OWRC/OWEB</i>
Jack Shipley, <i>Applegate Partnership & Watershed Council</i>	Janelle Dunlevy, <i>Applegate Partnership & Watershed Council</i>
Kathryn Alexander, <i>Rogue Native Plant Materials Collective</i>	Brian Barr, <i>Rogue River Watershed Council</i>
Tracey Brandt, <i>Illinois Valley SWCD (new member!)</i>	Larry Martin, <i>Rogue River Valley Irrigation District</i>
Kent Knock, <i>Afternoon Zephyr Farm</i>	

RBP member/partner announcements

- Larry Martin - rep for RRVID asking for letter of support for Bradford Drop Piping Project 3.5 miles of canal wanting to be piped, BoR paying for some; wanting to extend past BoR piece; potential for hydropower, flood to pressurized, minimize runoff from agriculture; would act as a demonstration of WISE to boost support.
Letter by 1st March.
WRDC has \$20Mil for water supply development as of last session.
- **Motion: To offer RRVID's Bradshaw Drop Piping Project a letter of support. Moved: Eugene Weir; Seconded: Robert Coffan; Conflict: Kelly recused herself from vote because Cow Creek was contacted by project; Unanimous approval by voice vote.**
- Jack Shipley – APWC
rural voices for conservation coalition – recommends RBP attends to network with folks on a broader scale
Applegate P&WC and Illinois Valley SWCD collaborating on developing strategic plan
- Kathryn Alexander – Rogue native plant materials collective
Group's new coordinator restoration work

Consent agenda approval

- Robert Coffan - To add to Governance Committee report: working on exit interviews, strategic plan, outreach table to be approached soon, strategic plan to interact with Meyer and Laird Norton

- **Motion: To approve the consent agenda.**
Moved: Greg Stabach; Seconded: Gail Grogan-Perrotti; Unanimous approval by voice vote.

Approval of new RBP member, Illinois Valley SWCD

- **Motion: To approve IVSWCD as a new RBP member**
Moved: Greg Stabach; Seconded: Jake Crawford/Chrysten Lambert; Unanimous approval by voice vote.

Review/approval of RBP Conflict of Interest document

- Edits, clarifications:
Committee does not include work groups
When do we renew? – annually
Section 1, first sentence, repeat first sentence of policy A
If committee quorum is not 1, kick decision to board
Board should also be recused from approving our own funding requests
- Kent Knock suggested there be a staff conflict of interest
Staff does not vote
- **Motion: Develop an annual protocol to maintain documents and keep up to date, revise document with above edits, and get legal review.**
Moved: Chrysten Lambert; Seconded: Robert Coffan; Unanimous approval by voice vote.

Board retreat planning update

- Positive feelings.

Conservation policy discussion

- Advocacy vs. lobbying
Lobbying legal definition: influences course of legislation (bill #'s!)
Gail Grogan-Perrotti concerned if a watershed council is a member where partners lobby, the WC they could lose OWEB designation
John Roberts - OWEB encourages groups to voice / advocate
- **Action: Brian Barr will double check on this concern**
- Chrysten gives background on IAC RFP decision-making
Funding to go to building working groups, developing plan and prioritizing; Multiple RFPs that proposed implementation before building the group were given partial funding because developing plan and prioritizing is what the IAC aimed to do with its recommendations; This was not communicated clearly by IAC. IAC aims for consistency in approach.
- Proposal has been revised per suggestions in protest letter
- Conservation Policy group will build member groups (Native Fish Society recently joined the working group) and reapply to most recent RFP.
- Kelly Coates asks Board if a policy and procedures work group should form? Should staff do this work?
Revisit Rogue River Action Plan policy/procedure
Remember, RBP is neutral, diverse group and membership
- **Action: Policy and procedure draft for letters of support by staff.**
- Kent Knock and Brian Barr both suggest to be thinking about: how much support is needed by RBP to advocate

