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BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, March 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	2:05-2:25
<i>Members/Partners (info)</i>	
Consent agenda approval	2:25-2:40
<i>Sam Whitridge (info/action)</i>	
• Feb meeting minutes	
• Feb standing committee & staff report	
• Feb financial report	
RBP Investment Strategy draft review	2:40-3:25
<i>Sam Whitridge & Kendra Smith (info/action)</i>	
RBP Conflict of Interest document update	3:25-3:35
<i>Sam Whitridge (info)</i>	
RBP strategic planning process - next steps	3:35-3:50
<i>Sam Whitridge (info)</i>	
RBP Website update	3:50-4:00
<i>Thera Lombardi (info)</i>	
Happy Hour! Informal networking at <i>Bricktowne</i>	4:00-5:00

March 9th Board Meeting Notes

Recorded by T. Lombardi

Present:

Kelly Coates, <i>RBP Chair</i>	Denis Reich*, <i>RBP Treasurer</i>
Greg Stabach, <i>RBP Secretary</i>	Eugene Wier, <i>RBP Board</i>
Jake Crawford, <i>RBP Board</i>	Paige Prewett, <i>RBP Board</i>
Gail Grogan-Perrotti, <i>RBP Board</i>	Sam Whitridge, <i>RBP Managing Director</i>
Thera Lombardi, <i>RBP Staff</i>	Stephanie Danyi, <i>City of Ashland</i>
Jennifer Arnold, <i>Reciprocity Consulting</i>	Alexis Brickner, <i>RRWC</i>
Brian Barr, <i>RRWC</i>	Kelly Timchak*, <i>LRWC</i>
Jack Shipley, <i>Applegate Partnership & Watershed Council</i>	Kendra Smith, <i>Bonneville Environmental Foundation</i>

* attendance by phone

Absent: Chrysten Lambert, *RBP Board*; Robert Coffan, *RBP Board*

RBP member/partner announcements

- Jack Shipley:
 - peer to peer learning Grand Ronde Tribal Org March 19th 9:30-3:00pm, APWC will be attending;
 - suggesting that collaborative groups may need to be more aggressive with agency changes with the current administration – local pressure in the past made sure agencies did enviro review even though it was no longer legally required;
 - OSU extension meeting last week – developed a committee for cannabis outreach;
 - APWC having a public meeting with OSGG March 14th
- Greg Stabach:
 - Bear Creek clean-up: 1 in phoenix, 3 in Medford;
 - Stream Smart has a website and facebook page
- Eugene Weir:
 - Friends of Wagner Creek – Talent, March 11th 10-2, off Rap Road
- Paige Prewett:
 - April 22 – March for Science culminating at Earth Day; \$150 or more to sponsor the event; 3000 folks(ish);
 - Staff will look at sponsorship packet
 - Process for requests
 - Budget for sponsorship for the year
- Gail Grogan-Perrotti:
 - VORSP work party – April 15th or 22nd?
- Stephanie Dayni:
 - Manages social media for city of Ashland, so keep her in mind for raising awareness for Ashland events; email is the best way to share with Stephanie
- Denis Reich:
 - DWPP grant awarded
- Sam Whitridge:
 - [March 20th RBP member/partner meeting](#)
- Jennifer Arnold:
 - Partnership Learning Project studying OWEB capacity recipients. Survey will be sent out to board and membership by Sam next week (2 week deadline).

Consent agenda approval

Sam Whitridge (info/action)

- Feb meeting minutes: contacted vs contracted with Cow Creek
- Feb standing committee & staff report: EAC: TDB vs. TBD; Gold Beach
- Feb financial report: 10% admin to RBP for MMT grant; same with CWMA

Motion: To approve consent agenda with edits.

Moved: Greg Stabach, Second: Gail Grogan-Perrotti; Unanimous approval by voice vote.

RBP Investment Strategy draft review

- Kendra Smith explains impetus for this document, the different parts and how it could be used moving forward
 - Jack Shipley reminds folks of ecological impact of investing in the basin – biodiversity gives investors bang for buck
 - Kelly Coates states, how this will be coordinated is the crucial next step
 - Kendra suggests dedicating time in coordinating who checks in with folks; divvy up ground with who knows who with foundations; grants are more in the implementers wheel house, folks can help each other connect the dots if they know what projects are in the pipeline...CIP
 - Gail suggests EAC to process. Working with staff to ask members who they have relationships to update document
 - Paige wonders how to find ambassadors to join our board?
 - Kendra suggests tapping into social networks. Extraverts with mission and message plugged into their minds; Potential coaching? Approach with specific asks.
Training by buddy system?
 - Jack Shipley has talked with Sybil. Once RBP gets their act together they are willing to convene something; foundations want to give in a bundle with other foundations
 - Kendra reminds folks to build out CIP. Then we can know what do we need money for, what is in the pipeline.
 - Denis brings up operationalizing the strategy. How far do we need to get in the strategic planning process before we go a knockin'?
 - Kendra replies that the strategic plan needs to be pretty and tell our story, but shouldn't be hard because there is a lot of organizational planning behind RBP already.
 - Jake inquires, if we are contacted/know new or unexpected foundations? → talk to Sam...need to capture this on page 4 on fundraising strategy;
Hypothetical: Meyer has an application for April – float out to membership to see who is applying?
 - Kendra suggests excel dates need to be updated in fundraising strategy tables
 - Eugene suggests developing table of who has money from who for what to help track...internal; timeline chart would be lovely
 - Kendra: additional feedback in the next week; training to ambassadors (seek partner development folks), spend time on moving this along regularly.
 - Potentially reach out to development directors – KS Wild, WW, NFS each employ one
- Motion: To edit page 4 to reflect Board Retreat decisions regarding Sam's role as point person. To adopt and accept as a working RBP document.**

Moved: Eugene Weir, Seconded: Jake Crawford; Unanimous approval by voice vote.

NEXT STEPS:

- **CIP build out.**
- **EAC: update tables with partner info; training (identify folks who want to be Rogue Ambassadors).**
- **Distribute.**

RBP Conflict of Interest document update

- Legal review approved. Implemented as of today

RBP strategic planning process - next steps

- Desire for this comes from foundational interest & to act as a road map for staff to move forward
- 3 yr road map helpful for staff – tied to foundation asks and guides organizations asking from RBP support/sponsorship/in-kind
- Paige suggests it should outline staff and board responsibilities & how we work together
- Governance Committee had discussed sending out an RFP and hiring a facilitator for the process, but Kendra had it in her contract originally and has the capacity to fulfill; much of the past RBP documentation will feed into and it would take a new facilitator time and effort to get up to speed
 - General agreement that Kendra will keep on with her contract and develop an RBP strategic plan
- Denis raised concern about prioritization and selection of projects
 - Kelly sees the FIP Lite and Strategic Plan are separate
 - Gail suggests the selection process is an action item in the strategic plan
 - Thera recognizes the concern is valid, but can't precede the CIP build out since we don't have any projects to prioritize; we can develop these simultaneously

RBP Website update

- Password protected page is a one stop shop for RBP documents
- Will be shared with board, committees, and membership leads for coordination and collaboration purposes