# MEETING MINUTES

## Oregon public health association board of Directors meeting

**February 5, 2016**  
**2:00 - 4:00 PM**

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**Staff**  
Jessica Nischik-Long  
Kim Krull

**Guests**  
Anna Stiefvater  
Penny Okamoto  
Kelly Campbell  
Jake Weigler  
Elaine McKenzie  
Sara Kofman
KEY FINDINGS AND DECISIONS

MEETING ACTIONS

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DETAILS AND BACKGROUND

Call to Order - Robina Ingram-Rich

Meeting called to order at 2:04 PM. Introductions. New member Tamara Falls attended and heard from members about some of the committee appointments available.

January Board Meeting Minutes - Marti Franc

Minutes were sent out with board packet.

     Motion to accept the minutes, second: Ayes all, motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report - Brian Johnson

December end of year reports were sent out for review. Brian went over a few notes. We overall ended the fiscal year about where we expected to be.

     Motion to accept the financial report, second: ayes all, motion carried.

Kelly Campbell, Executive Director Physicians for Social Responsibility, accompanied by PSR Board member, Elaine McKenzie

Kelly addressed the board as an OPHA partner organization. She and Elaine found our legislative day to be a good experience. Discussed the legislative initiatives her organization is endorsing. Reviewed how the PSR got started and their focus on health and safety. PSR would like to explore how our organizations could work together more in the future.

President’s Report - Robi Ingram-Rich

The revised strategic plan was sent out with the board packet for review. Discussion.

     Motion to accept revised strategic plan, second: ayes all, motion carried.
There was a general understanding in our strategic planning session that the work groups would continue to monitor the areas of the plan they had worked on. There have been subsequent questions about who will take the lead for each work group and how accountability will be maintained. The goal is to look at the strategic plan regularly re: how we are progressing with our work plan. Each work group is to look at their section of the plan and determine a schedule of best times to report to the board, based on the work required in that section.

Robi has had a conversation with Charlie Fautin, CLHO President, re: the letter to OHA about public health staffing capacity at the state. She will continue that discussion.

Executive Director Report - Jessica Nischik-Long

Umatilla Co is one of the recipients of the APHA and APA national Plan4Health grants. Jessica calls in to Umatilla’s meetings and will attend their kickoff event. Our membership will receive invitations to attend the event as well. The health department is the lead for this capacity building grant and is working with others to create a coalition of organizations and an assessment of community activities.

Committee Reports

Membership Committee - Rebekah Bally

The first meeting was held, with six members attending. The committee is discussing the value of membership to help with outreach, putting together ideas and strategies and will be making edits to the charter. One idea is to interact more with regional representatives in recruiting members from across the state. Rebekah will be sending out a meeting doodle to determine the best meeting days/times for members.

Development Committee - Katherine Bradley

The committee has had one meeting. They reviewed strategic plan goals for the committee, including board member training for development asks and contacts. The committee will be developing recommendations for funding.

Policy Committee - Anna Stiefvater

Penny Okamoto of Ceasefire Oregon, said the organization consists of 3 parts - the foundation, legislation advocacy and education, and the PAC. Reducing gun violence is the main purpose of the organization. Their main goals are to assure higher gun safety standards, increase accountability of firearms dealers and develop higher standards for gun ownership.

HB4147 would require that a gun dealer would have to have a completed background check, regardless of how long that takes, before transferring a gun to a purchaser.

SB1551 is already dead for this session. It would have allowed for a lethal violence protective order, in order to temporarily remove access to guns for a person who may use the weapon criminally against another person, based on a family report to law enforcement.

Sara Kofman, Alzheimers Association of OR, stated the purpose of the organization is to address alzheimers research, education and care. After a short presentation about the disease, she explained that they have support groups around the state, a 24/7 help line for questions and concerns and a webinar series for PH professionals. The association provides advocacy for policy. She discussed ways in which the association links to PH policy and efforts.

Jake Weigler, Oregon Alliance for Gun Safety, stated his organization has helped build collaboration. They will continue to work on the protective order legislation and the background check legislation (see SB1551 and HB4147 above). The alliance is also focused on responsible gun ownership behaviors and child access prevention.
Anna thanked the OPHA directors for being here today and helping to lead groups. Logistics have improved every year. She reviewed the agenda of the legislative day and said that Katy King provided expertise and information. She commented on the tabling activities of partner agencies. Anna told us that the prioritization of bills was organized around social determinants of health.

The A Better Oregon coalition is supporting a ballot measure to increase the corporate minimum tax on those companies doing over $25 million in sales in OR. The money raised would go to education and health care. The coalition has presented to us at a previous meeting. We don’t currently have a person identified to serve for us on the coalition, which would be important to assure our PH perspective was heard in developing plans for how revenue raised would be used.

Motion, second, to join the coalition A Better Oregon: ayes all, motion carried. Mireille offered to participate in the coalition on behalf of OPHA.

We discussed the legislative day activities and send kudos to the sections and committees involved.

New Business, Coalition and Section Updates

A section meet and greet opportunity with board members will be arranged for after the March board meeting. We discussed having an extended time for section reporting during May and October board meetings, in addition to developing written reports from sections.

Nadege reported that the health education section will be hosting a professional development event. We discussed the option of sections giving away one or two memberships to potential members. Jessica will follow up with a review of the bylaws on this topic.

Motion to adjourn, second; meeting adjourned at 4:04 PM.

UPCOMING BOARD SCHEDULE:

Board Meeting, Friday, March 18, 1:00 - 3:00 PM, Portland State Office Building (PSOB), Room 1D, Portland

Board Meeting, Friday, April 15, 1:00 - 3:00 PM, PSOB, Room 1D, Portland