



REGION X VPPA BOD MEETING MINUTES October 7, 2020

Safety Topic

Cliff Butler: Winter weather start preparation.

John Geppert: Wear mask to prevent Covid-19 from spreading.

Attendance:

Board Members: Rocky Simmons, Max Van Valey, Jack Griffith, Margie Brice, Curtis Reece, Tim Taylor, Saprena Lyons, Cliff Butler

Agencies: Carol Henning, John Geppert, Darren James, Justine Callahan, Mark E Hurliman, Sharell Lien, Angelo Romano

Planning Committee: Mike VanWyhe, Jonathan Hagen, Don Slaugh, Mike Welsh

Agency Reports:

- WA - John Geppert
 - Employees working from home
 - Adjustments for virtual training/seminar in process
 - Focusing on Covid-19 response
 - May not be able to evaluate new sites.
 - Reminder to get flu shot
 - Virtual Governor's Conference participants about 300 participants
 - Darren is scheduling recerts in 2020 and 2021.
- ID/Federal – Justine Callahan
 - Developing calendar for recerts.
 - 1 new VPP application, total of 3 new applications
- OR – Mark Hurliman
 - Oregon still on hold for recerts but developing a plan.
 - 3-4 hour online workshops available
 - Continuing to review employer complaints to Covid-19 and education.
- AK – Angelo Romano
 - Assisting the Military for IH due to the Covid-19 issue.
 - Loss of 2 sites.
 - 12 Sites want to pursue. Working to try and get commitment.
 - Needs support to promote from Nationals

-Requesting a virtual webinar workshop for the VPP application for the potential new sites.

DOE -Carol Henning

- Brad Davey had VPP Planning meeting.
- 2021 recerts are in the plan. Waiting on what might happen in the next several months with Covid-19.
- Leadership needs to communicate why changes are occurring at work sites for Covid-19 protection.

Financial Report: Jack Griffith

- Financial Report
 - Status report

Approve Prior Board of Director Minutes:

- September 2, 2020
 - Tim Taylor made a motion to approve, Jack Griffith seconded, motion passed.

Region X Report/Actions: Rocky Simmons

2021 Conference – Kennewick, WA

- Revisions to grid: Sharell
 - Rocky assuming role of Eddie's activities until a replacement is elected.
 - Track the social gathering requirements in the Kennewick area.
 - All review the grid to re-confirm due to the Covid-19 potential.
 - Space has been reserved for the SGE Workshop.
 - Sharell reviewing how meals will be planned.
 - Planning committee meeting to develop strategy for Covid-19 response.
- Discuss Plan B – Virtual one day conference
 - E-mail suggestions to Rocky/Margie
 - Decision of virtual by January at the latest.

Region X Committee Reports

- Communications-Jack Griffith/Cliff
- Nominations-Cliff/Tim
 - Possible replacement for Eddie's position. Cliff will forward to Rocky
- Awards-Max/Saprena
 - Max/Saprena to develop and forward to Rocky for advertising to Region X sites.
- Outreach- Vendor Opportunities and Assignment: Rocky
- Membership-Rocky/Curtis
 - No new information
- Mentoring-Jack/Max/Saprena
 - Where possible, work on virtual

- Leg/Regs-Rocky
 - Continuing actions, working on strategy with the election in process
- L/M-Rocky/Jack
 - Virtual labor Symposium to engage more of the labor force.

NATIONAL REPORT – Rocky/Jack

- Rocky and Jack involved with strategic meeting during October session.

2020/2021 Region X BOD & Conference/Meeting Schedule:

Conference Calls: **(9:00 AK /10:00 PAC/ 11:00 MTN) 1-866-799-9419 Conference ID: 281765579#**

- November 4, 2020
- December 2, 2020

Jack Griffith made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Tim Taylor.

Meeting adjourned.



Marjorie Brice
Secretary, Region X

