



REGION X VPPA BOD MEETING MINUTES

July 23, 2024

Safety Topic:

Billy Brown: During major heat events remember to contact family and friends to ensure they are doing ok especially if there has been no consistent communication.

Attendance: Max VanValey, Saprena Lyons, Jack Griffith, Margie Brice, Curtis Reece, Tim Taylor, Dustin Caldwell, Billy Brown

Agencies: Abby Lopez, Cecil Tipton, Sharell Lien

Planning Committee: Ashley Novak, Alesha Jorgensen, Jared Davis

Agency Reports:

- WA-Darren James/John Geppert
 - Not available for Meeting
- OR-Mark Hurliman
 - Not available for Meeting
- Federal: Abby Lopez/Cecil Tipton
 - OSHA in a reorganization process and developing two new regions and removing the numbered regions.
 - Currently working on a VPP Coordinator replacement for Andrew.
 - Safe and Sound Campaign online for registration. Encourage Region X members to register.
 - Proposed Heat rule in process for non-state rules
 - Emergency rule for fire fighters. Comment period in process.
- ID: Stephane Dovalina
 - Not available for meeting
- Alaska: Christian Hendrickson
 - Not available for meeting

Financial Report: Jack Griffith

- Status updates of the checking and savings accounts
- Currently reviewing expenses from the safety conference in Anchorage, AK

Approve Prior Board of Director Minutes:

- March & April 2024 Minutes
 - Saprena Lyons made a motion to approve, and Dustin Caldwell seconded
 - Minutes approved and passed.

2025 Safety Conference Portland, OR:

- Holiday Inn contract:
 - Motion made by Tim Taylor and seconded by Curtis Reece to sign contract with revisions. Sharell Lien to get updated version for Max VanValey to sign and request deposit.
 - Motion made by Tim Taylor to not increase conference fees for 2024. Dustin Caldwell seconded; motion passed.
- Tracks to be finalized by December 15, 2024.

Region X:

- Review of possible planning committee member from Milgard. Max will receive the application and forward to the Board.
- SGE class: Agreed to have at Cardinal IG in Hood River during April 22-24, 2025. Max will communicate the information to Mark Hurliman.
- Action items for revisions to the website will be sent to Saprena Lyons for completion.

Region X Committee Reports

➤ **Communication: Andy Foster**

- Andy Foster has volunteered to continue management of the Region X website.
- Review of the website once a month during meeting to send one communication to Saprena Lyons for implementation.

➤ **Nominations: Tim Taylor/Margie Brice**

- Open position on the Board for Director - Labor Representative Union

➤ **Awards: Max VanValey/Saprena Lyons**

➤ **Outreach: Vendor Opportunities & Assignment: Tim Taylor**

OUTREACH LIST:

- Washington Governors Conference – September 25-26, 2024
- Central Oregon Occupational Safety & Health Conference September 23 & 24, 2024
Bend, OR

- Southern Oregon Occupational Safety & Health Conference October 15-17, 2024, Ashland, OR
- Western Pulp, Paper, and Forest Products Safety & Health Conference December 3-6, 2024, • Portland, OR

➤ **Mentoring:**

National's: Jack Griffith

- 2025 National Event will be in St. Louis, MO
- 2026 National Event will be in Nashville, TN

2024/2025 Region X BOD & Conference/Meeting Schedule

NEW LINK Conference Calls: (9:00 AK /10:00 PAC/ 11:00 MTN) +1 860-785-9628 #460835274:

- September 4, 2024
- October 2, 2024
- November 6, 2024
- December 4, 2024

In-Person Meeting:

- Region X VPP attending National Conference.
- October 22-23, 2024, Skamania Lodge, WA
- March 2025 meeting. Holiday Inn Jantzen Beach walk-through. Reviewing dates.

Meeting Adjourned

Marjorie Brice
Secretary, VPPA Region X