OAC Board Meeting Minutes September 17, 2021 Zoom Meeting

Present: Mike Able President, Carol Dion 1st VP, Chris Wagner 2nd VP, Stacey Rovinelli Treasurer, Norma Massier Secretary, Brad Taylor Past President, Bryan & Michelle Stewart Director, Steve Holmes Director, Mary Chris Stangland Director, Amy D'Abbraccio Social Media & Rally Coordinator, Terri Warren Rally Coordinator, Mel Simrell Membership,

Absent: Rhonda Levine Director, Bob Crummett Webmaster

A quorum of elected officers were present.

Previous Board minutes of June 29, 2021 had been approved within 2 weeks of said meeting.

Reports of Officers & Committees

**President's report:** Mike thanked all officers and committee members for their efforts during a challenging COVID year. He also noted that though he will be spending part of next year in Arizona that he plans to continue participating in OAC Board meetings.

**Incoming President Carol Dion:** Carol thanked the Board for the gift basket sent to her following her Mom's death. She asked Mike to pass on any information from International as to what is required from a local club's President. Terri said that International will be letting her know what and when is required once they are notified of her installation as President.

Treasurer's Report: Stacey submitted a written report to board regarding current income/ expense balances for the year as well as amounts donated to various charities by club members. \$3,416 were donated this year. Stacey noted that the rally account is low this time of year as many rallies for 2022 have been pre-paid. The goal is to break even on rallies. Challenges this year included last minute cancellations due to a variety of reasons which included COVID concerns as well as wildfire smoke. She also noted that some RV parks raised their prices and this was not reflected in the rally book. Pay Pal fees also went up this year. Terri also noted that with State Park Cancellations, the club has to pay \$8 for each cancelled site. Currently the rally account has a positive balance of \$407. Stacey stated that we needed a second signer on the bank accounts in cases where she is not available. Bryan Stewart volunteered to accept this responsibility. A query re who in the club has a club credit card was made. The President, Rally Coordinator and Treasurer are officers who hold the cards. Carol will submit an application for same.

Rally Coordinator Report: There are 49 people signed up for the year end rally at Cove Pallisades State Park. Several club members have stepped forward to oversee a benefit auction (Janet Schober), a swap meet (Chris Wagner). In addition Terri and Hal will be providing 4 meals for those who wanted them. Terri has obtained "I Was Vaccinated" pins for those who would like to wear them. The intent was not to shun those who are not vaccinated, but, to allow those who have concerns about being in close contact to be aware of who is not vaccinated. A robust discussion followed by all members of the group. Pendleton Roundup hosts noted that though information was sent out to all attendees that COVID precautions would be followed, no one was wearing masks. Brad asked how hosts are expected to deal with any anger that might occur with not adhering to Covid precautions. The consensus was that the hosts can only serve as the model for adhering to these guidelines. Terri noted that information was sent out to year end attendees re COVID precautions that would be observed based on CDC and Oregon requirements. Carol said that her goal would be that attendees arrive safe and leave healthy. Norma stressed that many in the club are immunocompromised

and need to be protected. Terri also discussed possible changes in how members sign up for rallies in the coming year. Carolyn Beardshear is working a menu for being able to pay for a deluxe site, opt in for selecting meals at the rally, etc. More to come later. Amy noted that so far 21 rallies have been planned for 2022. There will be more as soon as dates for reservations open up. Chris asked if there was still interest in having a Board Meeting Rally. Interest is still alive, setting up a date when active camping season begins has yet to be determined. Amy and Terri also said they had discussion re trying not to schedule rallies east of the Cascades during wildfire season as there were several cancellations due to this issue. Once rallies are set for 2022 a list will be sent to the board for approval. As additional rallies are added through the year the Board will also be asked to approve those. Chris asked if we were still holding a Board Rally in the coming hear. Board members would pay for their site as if it were a normal rally. Hopefully to be held in a central location near Salem or Eugene.

**Membership Report:** Mel had submitted her written report to the board prior to the meeting noting 71 new household had joined thus far this year. 259 Airstreams are now a part of our club. She again plans a Newbie Rally for the coming year. The Board asked her to consider having two Newbie Rallys. She also proposed that we add a co-chair to Membership, someone who has skills to produce and update spreadsheets needed for election purposes, distribution of newsletters, and outreach to those who do not renew. Mel would like to retain her role as reaching out to new members and hosting the Newbie Rally. The Board supported this request and Carol said that John Dion is willing to step into this role.

**Social Media:** Amy reported that the club has a lot of interest in the Facebook page, though not so much on Instagram and Twitter. She asked the board to consider whether we should make the Facebook group 'Private'. She notes that there are a lot of people who visit the site who are not actually members. Brad voiced concern re making it private in that the Facebook group may be a way to encourage new members to join. Amy's concern is that it becomes apparent through Facebook postings that people are traveling and not at home, possibly increasing chance of putting home at risk for theft, etc.

**Nominating Committee:** Mary Chris reported that the committee had done their job, ballots had been sent out via Jotform. Voting closes on September 20th. Norma reported that 113 members have voted thus far.

**Newsletter Committee:** Rhonda sent written report to the Board. The newsletter continued to be published every two months with assistance from committee members (Kathy Geese, Rhonda Levine, Frances Tramoni, Norma Massier) as well as a large amount of hosts/photographers/reporters who contributed articles. Many thanks to Terri for sending it out to all the members. She encouraged other Airstreamers to participate.

**Bylaws Committee:** Norma provided the Board with a written report. The required 2021 review and revision of bylaws was completed and sent to International. They will be posted on the OAC website. One of the sections that required the most work was on fleshing out the job descriptions for our club officers and committee members as well as including IBT changes, i.e. one person/one vote, no longer one trailer/one vote. In August we received additional info from International to revise some additional areas. We will begin working on that in coming year. Current members of committee, Rhonda Levine, Judy Smith and I have agreed to stay on the committee for the coming year.

## **New Business**

Carol and Norma will work on a calendar for the Board in the coming year noting notification of business meeting times/places/when ballots are due to be sent out, etc. as well as ensuring that events are posted on our website so that are bylaws are followed consistently.

Steve brought up a discussion regarding how rally costs are determined and if we would be adhering to offering food as a choice for participants rather than routinely included in the rally fee. The Board felt this was a good idea as some members are on special diets or choose not to participate in all group meals.

Respectfully submitted

Norma Massier OAC Secretary