

Final Minutes

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
POLICY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, December 9, 2015
Sunset Building
MINUTES**

Policy Board Members Attending: Alan Rowe, Hal Brauner, and Annabelle Jaramillo

Alternates Present: Mary Steckel, Valerie Grigg-Devis

Guests Present: Savana Crawford, Laurel Byer, and Brooke Jordan

Staff Attending: Ali Bonakdar and Emma Chavez

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	DECISION / CONCLUSION
I. Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Alan Rowe at 5:00 pm		
II. Agenda Review		No changes to the agenda.
III. Public Comments		There were no public comments.
IV. Minutes of October 10, 2015 meeting.	Agenda item VII, change the word modal to model.	Consensus by Policy Board members to approve the October 10, 2015 meeting minutes with correction.
V. ODOT's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan	ODOT is working on an update to Oregon's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan (OBPP). It will replace the 1985 plan. The Plan is currently in the public comment period.	

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	<p>The OBPP among other plans, is a modal plan under the Oregon Transportation Plan which is the over arching transportation plan for the State. The OBPP is a policy framework for the state. The Plan does not have rules, regulations or a project list.</p> <p>A sixteen member Policy Advisory Committee (PAC) was formed to guide the process and review plan content. The PAC was responsible for making sure progress was being made and that the plan was moving in the right direction. A TAC committee of external stakeholders was also created to help with the technical aspects of the plan. A Plan Coordination team of ODOT staff was formed.</p> <p>Public outreach has included early input through statewide listening meetings, surveys and stakeholder interviews. Presentations to the ACT's and MPOs are taking place. At this time, there is an online survey. Once the public review closes, comments will be summarized and the PAC will review the recommended changes prior to the Plan going to the OTC.</p> <p>Savannah briefly reviewed the chapters of the Plan with members. Question and answers took place.</p>	
VI. Governor's Transportation Vision Panel	<p>The Governor has created a twenty-five member Governor's Transportation Vision Panel (GTVP). The GTVP is a year long effort to develop a series of recommendations that address transportation issues across all modes and all regions of the state. The Panel is divided into five different subcommittees to conduct its work.</p> <p>The Panel is charged with delivering a final report by Spring 2016. The report will be used as a tool to assess and prioritize needs of Oregon's transportation assets, and serve as a tool for how the state could shore up and prioritize investments in the transportation system over the next</p>	

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	<p>several years.</p> <p>Eleven regional forums will be convened by the GTVP. ACT's will be requested to host the meetings. Our local ACT will be hosting the sixth forum on Thursday, January 28th at LBCC. Invitees will include the ACTs, Regional Solutions Teams, MPO's and local legislators. The meetings are also open to other interested local transportation stakeholders, transportation groups and the public.</p>	
<p>VII. Updates</p>	<p><u>a) Director's Report</u></p> <p>ODOT Area Manager - Frannie Brindle is now the ODOT representative on this Board. Amy Ramsdell has moved on to the Motor Carrier Division of ODOT. Frannie will continue to manage Area 5 along with Area 4.</p> <p>AAMPO/CAMPO Joint meeting - has been discussing a joint meeting of both MPOs to discuss the Linn-Benton Loop and Hwy 20. Staff asked the Policy Board for their approval. The Policy Board agreed to a joint meeting.</p> <p>Exchange Program - The MPO receives federal funds which come with many requirements. To avoid these requirements, local applicants exchange their federal funds with state dollars (\$.94 to \$1.00). ODOT is studying to make this a requirement within small MPOs.</p> <p>Scenario Analysis - Local data has been collected and verified. The data is being entered into the model and is being processed. Staff is hoping to have a report by January of 2016.</p> <p>Transportation Reauthorization - Congress has passed the FAST ACT. It's a thirteen hundred page bill with \$305 billion over the</p>	

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	<p>next five years. FAST will provide more funds to locals and PL funding. The MPOs are now required to plan and program for intercity buses.</p> <p>Health and Transportation – OCWCOG sponsored two events on Health and Transportation Connectivity. Mark Fenton of Tufts University, a national expert on walking spoke last night at La Sells. Mayor Konopa of Albany opened up the event. Mayor Traber of Corvallis was present. This morning was a workshop of practitioners. The lecture and the workshop were well received by attendees.</p> <p><u>b) Jurisdictional Updates</u></p> <p>City of Adair Village – The construction of ADA ramps on Arnold Avenue has finished.</p> <p>Benton County - Two surveys have been conducted on the Corvallis to Albany path; one scientific survey via phone to landlines and cell phones. A supplemental online survey was also conducted and had 1,000 people who had taken the survey after only two days. At this time the county is focusing on solely identifying if there is an interest and need for a trail.</p> <p>City of Corvallis - Attended an inclement weather meeting with the City of Philomath, Benton County and the City of Albany. The TSP goals were presented to the City Council and it was approved. The TAC is working on performance measures.</p> <p>City of Philomath – The Kick off meeting for TSP is next week.</p>	
IX. Adjourn	Next meeting January 13 th .	