



**Oregon Animal Control Council
OACC Membership Meeting Agenda
Benton County Fairgrounds
September 17th, 2026 3:30 PM**

Working to improve and promote professionalism within the field of animal control while exercising justice and equality in the enforcement of animal control laws.

AGENDA

Board Members Present: Stacy Smejkal, Jodi Whiting, Jessie Stagner, Lila Obeng, Stephanie Campbell, Natasha Hines, Teresa Rush, Mark Dowdy, Lee Bartholomew, Dave Martin, Jessie Stagner, Zach Wolfheart, Amanda Luell, Keitra Mason, Eric McMullin, Erica O'Neill, Joy Laudahl, Dave Laudahl, Trey Plamondon, Michelle White, Carrie Sether, Keeanna Stansbury, Amanda Cochran-Green, Karissa Strohmeyer, Emily Moore

Board Members Absent: Nicole Johnson

1. Welcome/Roll Call & Introductions of Board Members

Meeting called to order by Stacy at 3:32 PM. Roll call & introductions of board members was performed.

2. Council Business

Reading/Approval of Minutes from last meeting. Stacy noted a type-o and proposed a correction from "NAPA" to "NACA". Motion to edit and approve as proposed: Dave Martin Second: Jodi Whiting

Board Member Reports

- **Treasure's Financial Report – Jessie Stagner**
 - Full breakdown and numbers will be available at the end of year report. We saved a lot of money with the venue and food at this conference spending less than half of what we usually spend at this point. Only a few things left to pay and the current bank balance is around \$10,752.
 - Jessie explained that she had uncovered fraud on the account in total around \$650 over a period of a few months. A claim has been filed with Chase Bank and they have agreed to credit all but around \$18 of these charges back to us. The \$18 in charges were not credited due to the age of the transaction. The debit card with the number that had been compromised has been cancelled and a new card ordered.
- **VP of Legislation Report – Jodi Whiting**
 - Dave and Jake Kamins has been working to propose a registry for people convicted of animal specific crimes that result in a prohibition of ownership. The registry would be managed by the Department of Justice. Anyone on the registry would be removed once their prohibition had expired. OACC has decided to support the legislation at this time.

- **VP of Membership Report – Lila Obeng** We separated membership from conference registration this year due to challenges in reconciling renewals when purchased that way. You may see an email from Lila if you paid the membership rate and your membership is expired.
- **VP of Training Report** –Stacy explained that the volume of work around the conference should be more spread out among the board. We reviewed the VP of training responsibilities from the Bylaws, and all agreed that while they are the primary person coordinating the training, they are not meant to complete all the tasks that should fall to other positions. For example, advertising should fall to VP of PR and contacting new agencies about attending and getting involved should fall to VP of Membership. We discussed the possibility of splitting the role but in keeping with the Bylaws, membership agreed that we should have one VP of training to oversee the process and additional people assigned to assist with the process.
 - Michelle White with Deschutes County volunteered to take on this role and was officially appointed during the meeting.
- **VP of Public Relations Report – Nicole Johnson** (absent)

3. Special Items –

- Elections- Secretary and President
 - Stacy is at the end of a 2-year term and is willing to continue but also willing to step down if anyone else is interested in the presidency. She has one more 2-year term before she hits the 6-year term limit.
 - Stacy will be sending out an email with the link to nominate individuals for these roles.
- Regional representatives- all vacant!
 - Discussed the role/responsibilities of the regional representatives and the present board members appointed the following regional representatives:
 - Erica O'Neill with Benton County to Northwest area
 - Emily Moore with Jackson County to Southwest area
 - Trey Plamondon with Deschutes County to Eastern area

4. New Business:

- 2027 Conference
 - We discussed the possibility of moving the conference back to October due to cheaper lodging in the “off season” and to avoid the busy wildfire season. Membership agreed that more towards the end of September or the very start of October makes sense.
 - Membership agreed that the 2.5 days length was more manageable and we will stick with that next year too.
 - Per the rotation, the southwest area is next. Karissa Strohmeier with Jackson county will start looking for possible venue options. Southwest rep Emily Moore agreed to assist new VP of Training Michelle White with the process.
- Social media page
 - Jessie Stagner inquired if members utilized social media and if having a members only private page could be of value. Stacy agreed to discuss this with VP of PR as it could overlap with the proposed google group she was researching.

- Press release
 - Dave Martin inquired about issuing a press release containing stories about what current membership are doing as a way to solicit donations. Membership agreed with the idea and Stacy agreed to bring it up to the VP of PR.
- Pers opportunities
 - Michelle White inquired about new legislation around PERS that may allow for animal control officers to have a designated PERS tier similar to a 911 dispatcher. VP of Legislation Jodi to look into the legislation but had no information on it at that time but mentioned that PERS is generally organization specific.

Dave Martin moved to adjourn the meeting. Jodi Whiting seconded the motion. The motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:18 PM.