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## **Drinking Water Advisory Committee**

Meeting Minutes

January 28, 2020

Keizer

### Members Present

**Greg DeBlase**, Oregon Environmental Health Association

**DJ Ezell**, Special Districts Association of Oregon

**Brian Ginter**, American Council of Engineering Companies-Oregon

**Bruce Hellebuyck**, Privately Owned Water Systems

**Karen Kelley**, Large Water Systems

**Amelia Nestler**, League of Women Voters of Oregon

**Annette Pampush**, Conference of Local Health Officials

**Kim Ramsay**, Oregon Environmental Lab Association

### Members Absent

**Dwayne Barnes**, League of Oregon Cities

**Ed Butts**, Oregon Association of Water Utilities

**Ray Johnson**, Plumbers/Backflow Testers

**Karen Lewotsky**, Environmental Advocacy Groups

**Brian Rigwood**, Pacific NW Section, American Water Works Association

### Guests

**Dave Barnett**, Business Oregon

**Jessica Dorsey**, Joint Water Commission/Hillsboro

**Steve Graeper**, Rhododendron Water Association

**Lacey Goeres Priest**, City of Salem

**Jon Unger**, Business Oregon

### Staff

Adam DeSemple      Kari Salis

David Emme          Diane Weis

Samina Panwhar

**To Do:**

Direct Lab Reporting: Workgroup (Kim Ramsay will put together the workgroup)

**Welcome/Agenda Check:**

DJ Ezell welcomed the group and led introductions.

**October Meeting Minutes:**

Bruce Hellebuyck made motion to approve the minutes, Kim Ramsay seconded. They were voted on and approved.

**Member Update:**

Kim Ramsay reported that ORELAP has a new program manager.

**Public Input:**

Steve Graeper had some issues he wanted to bring to the committee's attention: 1) He recommends a rule change to water systems turning reporting over to labs; he wants to remove Direct Lab Reporting. 2) He would like the fee structure changed. He believes the new fee removes the incentive for systems attempting to be an Outstanding Performer. 3) He would like to see Drinking Water Services work with Department of Forestry on the Forestry Practices Act. These items will be future agenda topics.

**Program Update:**

[See attached PowerPoint]

**Revolving Fund Update:**

[See attached Loan Fund Status pdf and PowerPoint]

**HABs Workgroup and LC:**

This topic has been resolved without the need to discuss it at this meeting.

**Future Meeting Topics:**

Direct Lab Reporting, Fee structure change, Drinking Water Program and Department of Forestry working together on forestry practices act

**2020 Meeting Schedule:**

April 15, 2020 – Keizer (Direct Lab Reporting, Survey Fee, Department of Forestry)

July 15, 2020 – Keizer

October 21, 2020 – Keizer