

Oregon Historical Marker Committee
Meeting Minutes
Friday, August 4, 2006

Present: Richard Hanes (Chair), Lowell Tiller, David Bogan, Clark Newiendorp, Josh Ingle, Lewis McArthur
Absent: Beverly Vogt, Wayne Sharp (all excused)
Staff: Annie Von Domitz
Guests: Joy Margheim, Marty Klug- ODOT, Ken Dubois- OHS, Dick Ackerman

1. Richard Hanes, Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

2. Approval of Minutes from 5/27/06

Richard made a motion to approve the May 27, 2006 minutes as presented. David Bogan moved and Josh Ingle seconded the motion. Motion passed with no dissenting votes.

3. Potential Committee Members

Richard asked the two potential committee members to introduce themselves. Ken Dubois currently works with the Oregon Historical Society in the Public Relations department. He has a background in various media settings including radio. Marty Klug currently works with ODOT. He has a degree in History and will eventually help coordinate sign issues with TIC.

The committee unanimously agreed to accept the new candidates as members of the Historical Marker Committee.

4. Lewis McArthur

Richard called for a break in the agenda to take time to honor Lewis McArthur for his many years of service to the committee. Lewis has resigned his position on the committee. Richard presented Lewis with a plaque to commemorate his contributions to the Historical Marker Program.

5. Council Report

Annie reported that TIC has a new newsletter that will be mailed out on a quarterly basis. A regular column will feature the Historical Marker Program. The Council has been conducting business as usual and is trying to rebuild the Agency's funding reserves.

6. Newsletter

Annie passed around the current issue of the newsletter. She reported that she will be submitting the newsletter to the heritage list-serve and will be posting it on the TIC website.

7. Interpretive Plan

David Bogan recapped the goals of the Interpretive Plan for the new committee members. He said that the goal was to develop a more pro-active approach to new marker development and to identify areas and topics that are under served throughout Oregon.

David reported that the OR150 planning committee has begun the planning process for the 150 anniversary celebration in 2009. He has spoken with Barbara Allen, the director for the OR150 committee. Barbara was previously director for the Lewis & Clark celebration. The OR150 committee will be developing funding sources for related projects. David hopes that Historical Markers will be able to plug into those sources. He advised that in two years from this meeting, the committee would need to be in the finishing stages of any projects related to the OR150.

David requested that the goal for the November meeting would be to develop a list of specific topics to pursue. Barbara Allen has been invited to attend the November meeting. Richard requested that the committee start thinking about how to distill the Interpretive Plan topics into 10 specific topics – with the OR150 legacy theme in mind.

David said that he would be attending the OR 150 “listening” sessions that will be held around the 7 marketing regions. He invited other committee members to attend with him.

8. Restoration/ Replacement Projects

a. Fort Rock

The Fort Rock marker is in production and is due to be installed in September. Annie will keep the committee informed about the date of the dedication. The dedication is planned to coincide with the Outback Scenic Byway kiosk dedication.

b. Abert Rim

The committee reviewed the mock-up for this marker. Annie reported that Bev found some mistakes in the graphic used on the marker. Annie will follow up with Sea Reach to have that corrected. A new location for this marker has yet to be determined. Annie will be coordinating with ODOT to identify an appropriate location that incorporates motorist safety and easy viewing of the rim.

c. Camp Adair

This project is temporarily lagging due to the three other projects Sea Reach is currently working on for the Committee. Annie will try to get the process going again this month, and will hopefully have a mock-up to show the committee at the November meeting.

9 New Marker Projects

a. Mitchell Monument/ Balloon Bomb

The Balloon Bomb marker is in production and is due to be installed in September. The goal is to coordinate dedication so that it can be done around the same time as the Fort Rock dedication.

10. 2006-2007 Meeting Schedule

Meetings on November 3, February 2 and May 4 will be held in the large conference room at the ODOT Materials Lab building, 800 Airport Road SE (behind the State Motor Pool facilities) in Salem.