# Oregon Rural School Board Members Caucus

## Leadership Assembly Special Meeting

July 16, 2024, 6 p.m. Zoom

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Members Attending: Nichole Schott, Condon, President; Mary Anne Crandall, Pinehurst, Secretary/Treasurer; Risteen Follett, Alsea; Will Cahill, Lake County; Kris Lachenmier, Tillamook: MacKenzie Rodgers, Enterprise.

Members Absent:; Anber Nelson, Scios

Guests: Lori Sattenspiel, Legislative Advisor;

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

Nichole Schott, President welcomed all participants to the meeting

#### Review and Approve the Summer Conference Rural Caucus Membership Meeting Agenda

Nichole will review goals of the Rural Caucus and Structure of the Leadership Assembly at the summer conference meeting

Mary Anne made a motion to approve the agenda for the summer conference membership meeting

Kris Lachenmier seconded the motion

Vote: Unanimous

### **Discuss Plan for the Hot Topics Table**

Nichole asked the membership - what are the biggest issues facing your school? There were many answers including housing for rural teachers, inadequate funding, maintaining local control, reporting requirements for small schools and the need for additional opportunities for rural kids.

The two biggest issues seem to be funding and accountability.

Lori added that the membership should consider becoming more involved and testifying during the legislative session.

Nichole encouraged members to share success stories of how SIA and other monies helped rural schools.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

Summer Conference meeting for full Rural Caucus – August 9, 2024, at 4:30 -6:00 PM TBD

Next Regular Rural Caucus Leadership Assembly meeting September 17, 2024 @ 6PM on zoom

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 PM.