

Meeting Minutes

Oregon Public Records Advisory Council

November 13, 2019

1 pm – 4 pm

Oregon State Archives Building

800 Summer St NE

Salem, OR 97310

Council Members present

Rich Vial, Les Zaitz (phone), Rob Bovett, Mark Landauer, Scott Winkels, Liz Craig, Tony Hernandez (phone), Michael Kron (phone), Steve Suo (phone), Representative Power (phone), Ginger McCall (phone), Senator Thatcher

Minutes

Agenda reviewed. Previous meeting minutes from October 1st and October 13th meetings were approved by all except Scott Winkels who abstained from approval of the October 1st meeting minutes as he was not present for that meeting.

Without objection, the chair allowed for public comment period. No comments from the public were offered at that time.

Acting Advocate Todd Albert gave a brief update on the activities of the office and suggested clarification of succession in the office of PRA. The PRAC was notified by Todd that Emily Harris was recently appointed to the PRAC in the position of a representative of the news media who is a member in good standing of a professional journalism association.

Without objection, the council agreed to include in the agenda for the next meeting a discussion of necessary legislative items.

Tasha Petersen, SOS HR Director reviewed the recruitment process at SOS. Items discussed were: methodology for scoring, interview questions, and executive session meeting laws. Tasha and Stephanie Clark assigned to work through the materials, and present more information to the PRAC in mid-December.

The PRAC discussed the use of executive session and the need to provide a public hearing.

Hearing no objection, the council agreed to meet next on December 17th.

Steve Suo submitted two comments via email.

“- I would tend to oppose executive session, for reasons I can elaborate at our next meeting.

- I think we can cover the issues of upcoming legislation for PRA in the job description. Add a section/paragraph that says "About the office." It would give history and potential upcoming changes.”

Meeting adjourned at 2 pm.