**OREGON ASSOCIATION FOR TREATMENT OF SEXUAL ABUSERS**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**AUGUST 25, 2023**

**9:30am-11:30am**

**Meeting held at PTCN and via ZOOM**

**In Attendance:**

[number in brackets indicates number of meetings attending this year out of 12]

Karen Cox, LCSW- Secretary (December 2022- December 2025) [7]

Scott Elmore, Psy.D- President Elect (March 2020-March 2023) {8]

John Thomas, LCSW- At Large (June 2022-June 2025) [7]

Kari Hempel, Ph.D.- President (November 2020-November 2023 [7]

Molly Shepard PhD- At Large (April 2023-April 2026) [5]

Hiilei Battistini, LPC- At Large (May 2023-May 2026) [3]

Kelley Chimenti, LCSW- Treasurer (January 2020-January 2023) [6]

Jesse Watson, M.A.- At Large (January 2021- January 2024) [3]

Bill Davis, Psy.D- At-Large (November 2019-November 2022) [5]

Keith Linn, Psy.D- At Large (September 2023-September 2026[1]

**Not Present:**

Peter Shannon, M.S.- At Large (June 2021- June 2024) [4]

**GUESTS:** Angela Beier, Polk County Community Corrections

Sean Clark, OASOTN

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Treasurer Chimenti reported a balance of $31, 981.00 and reflects 8 new memberships in July 2023.

**Minutes:** Hi’lei Battistini sent out minutes for July 2023. Board members who attended the meeting will review the minutes and will motion to approve them via email.

**Updates:**

* **SOTB:** President Elmore reported there is no new information as the board has not met. President Elmore’s application and John Thomas’ applications are currently on hold until a board meeting on September 15, 2023.
* **SOSN:** Peter Shannon and President Elmore attended the SOSN meeting in Bend, Oregon in July 2023.
* **ATSA Update:**  No update
* **OMC:** No update.
* **OASOTN:**  Sean Clark was in attendance for the board meeting. There were no updates due to time constraints.
* **Website:** There were no updates regarding the website.

**Action Items:**

* **CPC Meeting Review and Follow-up:**  President Elmore continued the discussion from previous board meeting.Bill Davis recommended an organized response/request to Department of Corrections to ask that for a change in the language to the contracts. Bill Davis recommended providing DOC with alternative program evaluation tools. Jesse Watson suggested providing training for membership regarding program development/evaluation. President Elmore expressed concerns regarding the shortage of treatment providers and attributes this partially to the CPC process. Secretary Cox highlighted problems with the existing tool; the domains are contraindicated for ATSA guidelines/standards. In concluding, this topic will be continued. Board members were encouraged to explore alternative RNR tools that may be more appropriate to propose to DOC.
* **WATSA:** Treasurer Chimenti stated the conference planning committee for WATSA/OATSA is scheduled to check-in September 2023, regarding information obtained for the venues selected.

**OATSA FALL RETREAT**

* November 3-5th 2023 at Best Western Agate Beach, Newport
* 40 rooms for 2 nights at a rate of $159.00 for ocean view, $129 for a mountain view. We must fill 64 rooms for the weekend with a $4000 minimum which includes a hospitality suite. There is no charge for meeting room.

The tentative schedule is as follows:

Friday, November 3, 2023

* 1pm-1:30 PM Welcome
* 1:30-3:00 PM Self-Care- Diana Groener
* 3pm-3:30 pm Happy Hour
* 3:30-5pm Washington St./Programming in the Institutions- Shelley Larsen

Reception in the Hospitality Room. Treasurer Chimenti will explore meal options

Saturday, November 4, 2023

* 8:00-9:45 AM Breakfast
* 10:00AM-12:00 PM Polygraph 201 Brent Nelson
* 12:00-1:30 PM Lunch and Board Meeting
* 1:30- 3:00 PM Non-monogamy and Kink Culture: how do we ethically incorporate harm reduction with cultural and sex positive practices? (Molly and Scott)
* 3:00-3:30 PM Happy Hour
* 3:30-5:00 PM Non-monogamy and Kink Culture continued

Dinner on your own

Sunday, November 5, 2023

* 8:00-9:00 AM Breakfast
* 9:00-11:00 AM Neurodiversity and the SO Population Tiffany Looney
* 11:00-12:00 PM Wrap-up: Future of SO treatment and supervision. What is of interest for future trainings? (Kelley Chimenti)
* Secretary Cox advised the Board that Cory Jewell-Jensen is scheduled to present in Linn County on October 13, 2023, to members of the MDT which are comprised of Judges, District Attorney’s, Parole and Probation Officers, DHS Caseworkers, and law enforcement. Secretary Cox voiced concern about her prior experience 15 years ago regarding Ms. Jensen’s presentation in the respect the content invokes fear and is not based on current research and has the potential to be damaging to the clients we serve. Treasurer Chimenti echoed concerns and inquired about options to address the fact Ms. Jewell-Jensen is not licensed or certified in the State of Oregon. Bill Davis recommended seeking legal advice from Paul Cooney prior to any further action. He will reach out to Paul Cooney prior to the next board meeting. Jesse Watson recommended several board members attend the free presentation in October 2023 to further assess the information that is disseminated.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30am

2023 Board Meetings: 10/27, 11/24, 12/22