



## Oregon Parks and Recreation Department Oregon Heritage Commission Meeting

The Oregon Heritage Commission is a group of leaders from across the state that works collaboratively to champion resources, recognition, and funding for preserving and interpreting Oregon's past. Founded in 1995 by the Legislature, the Heritage Commission is comprised of nine gubernatorial appointments and nine ex-officio members. The Commission is designated in [ORS 358.570-595](#) as the primary agency for coordination of heritage activities in Oregon.

### Commission Members:

Anne Levant Prah (Chair); Laura Ferguson (Vice Chair); Rosemary Johnson; Todd Kepple; Kim Moreland; Chelsea Rose; Kerry Savage; Matias Trejo de Dios; Chrissy Curran, State Historic Preservation Office; Ross Fuqua, State Library of Oregon; Amit Kobrowski, Department of Education; Larry Landis, Higher Education Coordinating Commission; Mary McRobinson, Oregon State Archives; Kerry Tymchuk, Oregon Historical Society; Michelle Woodard, Travel Oregon

**Monday, November 29, 2021**

**10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**

**Zoom Meeting**

**Minutes**

### 1. Business (10:00 a.m.)

- a) Introductions:
  - a) Anne Levant Prah, Laura Ferguson, Matias Trejo de Dios, Rosemary Johnson, Kim Moreland, Kerry Savage, Todd Kepple, Larry Landis, Mary McRobinson
- b) Agenda Approval (Action item)
  - a) Ferguson moved to approve, Savage seconded. Approved with no objections.
- c) Oct. 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes Approval (Action Item)
  - a) Rosemary moved to approve the minutes with the adjustment of an incomplete sentence regarding an OPRD translation service work group, Moreland seconded. Approved with no objections.
- d) Heritage Plan Evaluation and FY 23 Funds (Action Item)
  - a) Levant Prah moved to approve earmarking FY23 Oregon Cultural Trust Funds for stipends for evaluation participants, Johnson seconded. Approved with no objections.

### 2. Oregon Cultural Trust (Information, 10:15 a.m.)

- a) Aili Schreiner discussed the Oregon Cultural Trust tax credit.

### 3. Oregon Heritage Grant Approval (10:30, Action Item)

- a) Henry went over statistics for this round of the Heritage Grant review, Savage noted during the review process that many organizations were asking for Past Perfect software and want commission to consider statewide solutions for this. Moreland noted that it might be good to send out the statistics to the review committee and that she appreciated Gill's personal touches to the process.
  - i. Ferguson moved to vote on the 21 recommendations that do not have a conflict of interest with a commissioner, Kepple seconded. Approved with no objections.
  - ii. Kepple moved to approve High Desert Museum, Johnson seconded. Ferguson Recused, approved with no objections.
  - iii. Levant PrahI moved to approve Architectural Heritage Center, Constructing Hope Pre-Apprenticeship Program, Oregon Black Pioneers, Vanport Placemaking Project, Trejo de Dios seconded. Moreland Recused, approved with no objections. Moreland wanted to note that her recusal for Vanport Placemaking project is not due to her Oregon Black Pioneers affiliation.
  - iv. Levant PrahI moved to approve Baker Heritage Museum, Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum, Miracle Theater Group, Moreland seconded. Savage recused, approved with no objections.
  - v. Levant PrahI moved to approve Klamath County Museums, Savage seconded. Kepple recused, approved with no objections.
  - vi. Johnson moved to approve Oregon Jewish Museum and Center for Holocaust Education, Moreland seconded. Levant PrahI recused, approved with no objections.

#### 4. Commissioner Reports (Information, 11:00 a.m.)

- a) Ferguson – thank you to review committee for review of grants
- b) Trejo de Dios – working on strengthening relationship with Mexican consulate and publishing the book Hispanic Origins of Oregon, Western Oregon University has finalized English translation and they will be organizing presentations
- c) Levant PrahI – hanging a new exhibit at OJMCHE, To Bear Witness.
- d) Landis – continuing work on Leticia Carson Legacy Project, elected to Board of Trustees of the Benton County Historical Society
- e) McRobinson – remain hopeful that they will open doors to the public at the start of January. Appreciated the Oregon Cultural Trust presentation and a thank you to the grant review committee.
- f) Moreland – presenting at the state advisory committee of historic preservation to discuss three nominations to the national register of historic places. Oregon Black Pioneers completed strategic planning session. Moving forward on state African American MPD.
- g) Kepple – appreciated Oregon Cultural Trust presentation.
- h) Savage – thanks for the review committee experience and mentioned hearing the Past Perfect Museum Software a lot during the applications and wants the Commission to keep that in mind if there can be a statewide solution.
- i) Johnson – appreciation for grant review committee. Nordic Heritage Park is progressing and have scheduled dedication for June 17. Tourism is slowing down but good season with boats coming to the area. Reminded folks to do trainings.

#### Adjourned 11:12 am.

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