



ORFED Board MINUTES

Friday, March 27, 2026, 7:00 am
 Monthly Meeting, In-Person at Black Bear Diner, Wilsonville
Members Present: Kendall Liddicoat, Mike Mann, Cliff Martin,
 Guy Cutler, Eddie Morgan, Kyle Garesché
Guests: Tharon Rice

Minutes

Minutes of the February 19 meeting were approved without objection.

Treasurer Report

Mike Mann reported the following balances: Checking: \$21,927.89; Savings: \$20,027.75.

2026 Conference May 16, 2026, (Portland PDX Sheraton Hotel)

- **Friday Night Sponsor:** National Fire is sponsoring Friday night at \$2500.00.
- **Friday Night Events:** Guy reported his findings on the casino provider, "Wild Bills". \$1950.00 would provide a casino experience for up to 50 people, 30 playing at one time. 500 sq.ft. required. Up to 3 hours of play time. Staging a casino night for the larger attendance we anticipate would be, the Board considered, too expensive. The Board discussed, and chose not to sponsor casino night this year.
 - ~ We will have an Open Bar and Food Table.
 - ~ We agreed to Friday Night door prizes for attendees.
- **Saturday Training Day:**
 - ~ Cliff's presentation will be named, "Are you in Compliance?" discussing DOT, EPA and NFPA code and regulatory compliance issues.
 - ~ Kyle's presentation will be named, "Soft Skills in Sales and Customer Service'.
 - ~ After discussion, we agreed to allow Out-of-State guests (other than Washington) invited by the Board to attend the conference, including lunch, free of charge.
 - ~ Training Day Packet Supplies: We need to verify that we have sufficient quantities of
 - Lanyards
 - OFRED stickers
 - Screw Drivers
 - Name Tag Ribbons
 - Envelopes (Packets) Cliff suggested we use something other than manila envelopes.

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Welcome and Introduction	ORFED Board
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Are You in Compliance?	Cliff Martin
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	Break	
10:15 AM - 10:30 AM	Vendors x2	
10:30AM - 11:30 AM	Hopper Maintenance	Rob Getz
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Soft Skills in Sales and Customer Service	Kyle Garesche
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00 PM - 1:15 PM	Vendors x2	
1:15 PM - 2:45 PM	Class K/Class D/AFFF/Clean Agents/CO2	Jamie Knowles
2:45 PM - 3:00 PM	Break	
3:00 PM - 3:15 PM	Vendors x2	
3:15 PM - 4:15 PM	Dry Chem/Wheeled Units	Guy Cutler
4:15 PM - 5:00 PM	Town Hall/Annual General Meeting	ORFED Board

Board Business

- Mike reported on conversations from the NAFED conference earlier this month of the idea that the states with strong state associations band together to sponsor a session break time at next year's NAFED conference in Las Vegas. The purpose would be to promote the development of more State Associations. We will discuss this in a future meeting.
- Cliff suggested that the Board consider sending our President, Kendall, to a GAFSED event in 2027 as an observer of how the GAFSED organization functions. Kendall will explore the possibilities and report back to the Board.
- We discussed developing and distributing Certificates of ORFED Membership to members in good standing each year. At this time, we plan to send pdfs to all paying member companies.
- Tharon reported that he has heard the Oregon State Fire Marshall is considering developing a licensing program that may affect our industry. Kendall and Kyle G will investigate further and report back to the Board. Depending upon what they learn, we will alert the FEMA legislative watch-dog group (Jeff Terrey, Rasky Partners), and request that ORFED be involved in the development of any such licensing affecting our industry.

FPC/FED Training

- The board decided against formally sponsoring FPC and/or FED training this year. We will facilitate training, advertising their training offerings to our membership, but we are choosing not to provide system training boards or provide other logistical arrangements.

Future Board Meetings

- Thursday, April 16, 4:00 pm TEAMS meeting
- Friday, June 5, 7:00 am Black Bear Diner, Wilsonville

Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 am

Minutes submitted by,
 Cliff Martin, Secretary