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FROM

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obligatory, "What did I do all summer?" stories, we went right to work. Alice Bartelt PRP, OAP Board Parliamentarian has been appointed secretary pro tem, due to the resignation of Shirley Holmes RP. Alice does great work, but we all miss Shirley on the board and her years of contributing to the OAP.

Plans were made for the next OAP Board meeting, January 9 at 10:00 a.m. All interested members are encouraged to attend - just send me an email and I will provide you with the address. Also discussed was the next OAP Annual Meeting to be held March 19, at a location that is now being firmed up. Elections will be held for all officers, so if there is interest, please contact Bev Przybylski.

The Strategic Planning continues under the watchful - and ever so patient (or at least it doesn't show...) Tad Davis. It was to be discussed in depth, but time was not on the board's side this past meeting. Strategic planning was certainly part of the extensive discussion that board members had at the meeting concerning

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As this is a quarterly publication, and you will receive the next *OAP Agenda* after the first of the year, I want to begin by wishing you all a Happy Holiday Season! Yep - probably the first to send such a greeting, so here's to - Thanksgiving, Black Friday, Hanukkah, Christmas and the 26th "Get Up Early to Buy Next Year's Wrapping Paper" Day...

The OAP Board of Directors held its first meeting after the summer hiatus on October 10. After sharing the

SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

OAP Website: <http://www.oregonap.org/>

OAP on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/OregonAP>

OAP on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/OregonAP>

CALL FOR OAP OFFICERS FOR 2016-2018

At the annual meeting in 2016 OAP members will elect new officers.

Per Article V, Section 1, elected officers shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary, and a treasurer. According to Section 2, in order to be eligible for president or vice-president, a candidate shall have served as an elected officer for one (1) term or have served on the Board of Directors not less than one (1) term or two (2) years with an attendance record of not less than fifty percent (50%). The term of office is two years and according to Section 4, no officer may serve in the same office for more than two (2) consecutive terms and shall not be eligible again for that same office until after the lapse of two (2) years. As directed by Article VI, Section 1, the nominating committee will report at the January 2016 meeting of the board of directors.

If you are interested in serving your association as an officer, please contact a member of the nominating committee:

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| Beverly Przybylski, Chair | beverlyp9@comcast.net | 360-687-1954 |
| Patricia Getchell | pagetchell@centurylink.net | 503-458-5445 |
| Lauretta Slaughter | lauretta410@gmail.com | 503-648-2346 |

From a partial quote attributed to George Herbert (1593-1633),
“Do not wait; the time will never be ‘just right’.”

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budgeting. Addressed were key points and inquiries of how the OAP utilizes its funds - spending, saving and seeking non-dues sources of income. All board members were charged with bringing forward fiscally responsible ideas for consideration and discussion at the January board meeting.

The board meeting ended on a high note - discussing the successful NAP National Convention held in Crystal City, VA, in early September. The bylaw amendments addressed, voted up or down, prevailed in a positive result for NAP. But best of all - the election of District 7 member, Mary Randolph PRP as NAP President for the next biennium! President Randolph is a frequent visitor to OAP functions and though a WSAP member,

we are claiming her too! Her theme is RISE – Respect, Integrity, Service, Excellence. President Randolph is integrating RISE into her vision of NAP’s future of a vital association of involved members, accessible leadership, financial stability and worthy of being called the authority on parliamentary law. Congratulations to our membership - we have elected a great leader! And I want to personally thank Elaine Carlson, Peggy Long PRP, Bev Przybylski PRP, Hollie Stivers RP and Jeff Weston for being delegates to the convention, along with yours truly!

Again - have a great holiday season. I’ll write you next year!

Teresa Stone PRP CP
OAP President

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

Any bylaw amendments that are to be considered at the Annual Meeting must be submitted to the OAP Bylaws Chair, Patty Getchell, no later than November 30, 2015. Submissions for consideration may be sent to pagetchell@centurylink.net or by phone at 503-440-3293 or home 530-458-5445.

UNIT REPORTS

Mt. Hood Unit

Mt. Hood finished the study program for the membership test and started this fall on working with the two of our members who are studying for the RP exam. We will be working on pertinent problems at our unit meeting, as well as the research module. We also had a new provisional member join us in October and the possibility of two more joining us in November. One member is signed up for the PRC (Professional Renewal Course) in December in Portland. It is all exciting for us and we look forward to having some new members soon.

Peggy Long, President

Rose City Unit

Rose City Unit's next meeting is Friday, November 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the Rose Garden conference room at Lloyd Corporate Plaza, 925 NE 19th Ave., in Portland. Jeff Weston will present a program on the Previous Question. Guests are welcome to attend our meetings, but note that access to the building is restricted. If you do wish to attend, please let us know so that we can make sure you make it into the building.

We meet once per month (usually on the third Friday of the month, at 7:00 p.m.) from September until May, with the exception of December when we hold a holiday potluck instead of a regular meeting.

These are the programs we have planned for our upcoming meetings:

| Month | Presenter | Topic |
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| November | Jeff Weston | Previous Question |
| January | Beverly Przybylski | Elections |
| February | Shirley Holmes | TBD |
| March | Patricia Howard | Minutes |

Rose City Unit is planning a holiday potluck for December. All Oregon Association of Parliamentarians members are invited. Additional details will be sent once they are available.

Jeff Weston, President

Tualatin Valley Unit

Which Parliamentary Authority Should We Choose? This not a question you would expect to appear as the title of an article in *The Oregon Agenda*, the official publication of the Oregon Association of Parliamentarians. It is, however, the title of an article I discovered during a Google search. You can make the search yourself by asking Google the same question. You may feel as I that the work gives a view of parliamentary procedure as a useful and universal tool. As we meet the challenge of adding a first-time visitor to regular attendance, it would advance our cause to include this information at the appropriate time.

Lauretta Slaughter, President