



Summary Minutes
Middle Rogue MPO Policy Committee
June 17, 2021

The following attended:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Valerie Lovelace, Chair	Grants Pass	479-0952
Rick Riker	Grants Pass	479-7333
Pam VanArsdale, Vice Chair	Rogue River	660-4414
Robert Brandes	Josephine County	474-5460
Mike Baker	ODOT	957-3658
Alternate Voting Members Present	Organization	Phone Number
Wade Elliot	Grants Pass	
Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Karl Welzenbach	RVCOG	423-1360
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375
Interested Parties	Organization	Phone Number
Lelsie Orr	Bike/Ped	
Darrin Neavoll	ODOT	
Ian Horlacher	ODOT	

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- [06/17/2021 MRMPO Policy Committee Agenda Packet](#)

1. Call to Order / Introductions/ Review Agenda | 00:00 – 02:04
 2:32 p.m. | *Quorum:* 5 voting members, regardless of jurisdiction

2. Review / Approve Minutes | 02:04 – 02:35

02:18 | *Rob Brandes moved that the Policy Committee approve the May 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes as presented. Seconded by Pam VanArsdale.*

No further discussion.

Motion passed with none apposed.

Presentations

3. 24-27 STIP Enhance Highway Program | 02:35 – 43:40

22:32 | *Question from Rick Riker: Will we get the total funding available and the costs of projects?*

There is no guarantee any region will get any funding. ODOT is not asking for a prioritized list, only recommendations.

If a project meets multiple criteria at once, will that give the project more of a chance?

Normally that is how it would work. However, for this selection process most of the consideration will be based on freight mobility and congestion relief.

37:13 | *Question from Rob Brandes: What kind of timeline do we have for local jurisdictions?*

ODOT will contact as they are filling applications between middle July to August.

38:02 | *Question from Rick Riker: Is there a way to “enhance” the application with reasons why it is believed to be a good project?*

On the application itself, probably not. However, if the jurisdictions would like to explain them, ODOT can give them to the OTC, and that could help with the submission.

39:21 | *Discussion Wade Elliot on possible projects from Grants Pass.*

Action Items

4. Ride the Rogue Sponsorship | 43:40 – 50:07

47:45 | *Rob Brandes moved to approve sponsorship of the Ride the Rogue at the Gold Level. Seconded by Pam VanArsdale.*

No further discussion.

Motion passed with none apposed.

5. Discussion and Approval of OMPOC Policy Paper | 50:07 – 01:13:46

01:13:2 | *Pam VanArsdale moved to approve the Dues for FY 2021-2022. Seconded by Rick Riker.*

No further discussion.

Motion passed with none apposed.

Discussion Items

6. Public Comments | 01:13:46 – 01:18:56

Provided by Leslie Orr in regard to Ride the Rogue, and update from the Citizens Advisory Committee.

Regular Updates

7. MPO Planning Update | 01:18:56 – 01:12:06

Provided by Karl Welzenbach. Discussion and update of multiple bills.

8. Other Business / Local Business | 01:12:06 - 58:40

Update from Josephine County and Grants Pass.

9. Adjournment | 58:40

Valerie Lovelace, Chair, adjourned meeting at 4:05 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings:

MRMPO Policy Committee | June 17, 2021 | 2:30 p.m.

MRMPO Technical Advisory Committee | June 3, 2021 | 1:30 p.m.

MRMPO Citizen Advisory Committee | June 10, 2021 | 2:00 p.m.