



SUMMARY MINUTES
Middle Rogue Metropolitan Planning Organization
Policy Committee

Date: Thursday, February 15, 2024

Attendees:

Voting Members	Organization	Phone Number
Melia Biedscheid	Gold Hill	855-1525
Valerie Lovelace, Chair	Grants Pass	479-0952
Rick Riker	Grants Pass	479-7333
Pam VanArsdale, Vice Chair	Rogue River	660-4414
Colleen Roberts	Jackson County	774-6118
Eric Heesacker	Josephine County	474-5460
Robert Brandes	Josephine County	474-5460
Mike Baker	ODOT	957-3658

Alternate Members	Organization	Phone Number
Wade Elliot	Grants Pass	
Steve Lambert	Jackson County	

Staff	Organization	Phone Number
Ryan MacLaren	RVCOG	423-1360
Kelsey Sharp	RVCOG	423-1375
Yazeed Alrashdi	RVCOG	423-1378

Interested Parties	Organization
Ian Horlacher	ODOT
Jerry Marmon	ODOT
Darrin Neavoll	ODOT
Ashley Bryers	FHWA

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1. Call to Order at 2:30 P.M. / Introductions / Review Agenda 00:00 – 01:25

Quorum: Gold Hill, Grants Pass, Rogue River, Jackson County, Josephine County, ODOT

2. Review / Approve Minutes 01:25 – 01:48

- 01:36** Pam VanArsdale moved to approve the January 18, 2024, MRMPO Policy Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. Seconded by Rick Riker.
 No further discussion.
 Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.



Action Items

3. Election of Officers 01:48 – 03:55

- 02:13** Pam VanArsdale nominated Valerie Lovelace as the MRMPO Policy Committee Chair.
Seconded by Rick Riker.
No further nominations.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.
- 02:36** Pam VanArsdale nominated Malia Biedscheid as the MRMPO Policy Committee Vice-Chair.
Seconded by Valerie Lovelace.
No further nominations.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Public Hearing

4. Amendments to the 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program 03:55 – 11:24

- Chair Valerie Lovelace opened the Public Hearing.*
No Comments received.
Chair Valerie Lovelace closed the Public Hearing.
- 11:00** Mike Baker moved to approve the TIP amendments as presented. Seconded by Eric Heesacker.
No further discussion.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Action Items Continued

5. Dues 11:24 – 26:34

- 14:30** Discussion on how the Dues are spent and OMPOC updates.
- 25:15** Rick Riker moved to approve the Dues as presented. Seconded by Pam VanArsdale.
No further discussion.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Chapter 10-12 of the Regional Transportation Plan 26:34 – 30:12

- 29:48** Robert Brandes moved to approve the RTP chapters 10-12. Seconded by Eric Heesacker.
No further discussion.
Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.



Discussion Items

7. Public Comment 30:12 – 30:24

No comments received.

Regular Updates

8. MPO Planning Update 30:24 – 34:00

Updates provided by Ryan MacLaren regarding the full RTP Adoption next month, and Karl's retirement.

9. Other Business / Local Business 34:00 – 01:05:30

Updates from Grants Pass, Josephine County, Gold Hill, Jackson County, ODOT, and OMPOC.

10. Adjournment

3:35 p.m.

Scheduled Meetings		
MRMPO TAC	March 7, 2024	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO CAC	March 14, 2024	1:30 p.m.
MRMPO Policy Meeting	March 21, 2024	2:30 p.m.