

**Oregon Historical Marker Committee
Meeting Minutes
Oregon Travel Experience - Salem
Tuesday, February 18, 2014**

Committee Participants:

Eliza Canty-Jones
Charlotte Lehan
Wayne Sharp

Richard Engeman
Dick Matthews

Marty Klug
Clark Niewendorp

Absent:

George Forbes
David Porter

Robert Keeler

Stan McDonald

Staff Participants:

Annie von Domitz

Jenn Smith

1) Call to order/Introductions

Eliza called the meeting to order at 10:30 am.

2) Approval of the November 12, 2013 Minutes

Richard moved to accept the minutes. Dick seconded the motion. The minutes passed with no dissenting votes.

3) New Application

- a. **Thomas Jefferson Howell:** Annie presented the application for the botanist Thomas Jefferson Howell. Elija had concerns about saying he was the first Oregon botanist. Marty noted inconsistencies with some of the statistics. There were questions about his collection at the University of Oregon. The Committee would really like to see if the nomination could take on more importance about this donation. Clark expressed concern about this nomination not being used for the land use restrictions. The Committee agreed they are interested, however they would like more information

4) Marker Projects

- a. **Joel Perkins Park:** The Committee was concerned about the map overlays – they are confusing. Marty suggested there should be a designation to show additions – that they were not part of the original map. The Committee suggested there should be clear documentation of Perkin’s grandfather serving under LaFayette and that being the reason Perkins named the town for him.
- b. **View-Master:** The Committee was concerned about the intensity of the photos, especially the center one. It was suggested to get rid of the yellow water mark. Eliza requested that the Committee send their suggestions for changes to Annie.
- c. **Pinot Noir:** Annie informed the Committee that SeaReach has the text and are just waiting for photos.

5) Marker Projects Update

- a. **Meacham:** Wayne said the sign is at ODOT. A lot of the letters needed to be re-routed.

6) Council Report: Charlotte reported that OTE is now managing all the rest areas on I-5 and I-84. Additionally, they are working to finish the strategic plan.

7) Committee Member Reports/New Business

- a. Volunteer Report:** Wayne presented some pictures that Jim Childers and his wife took of some Markers and their conditions. The Marker at Pendleton is in the worst condition. Battle Mountain needs new posts. He announced the Volunteers just finished Indian Trails. Annie reminded the group that the Salemtowne Volunteers will be honored on April 24th at the Heritage Awards Dinner.

- b. New Business:** No new business

8) 2013 Meeting Schedule

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the second month of the quarter, unless otherwise specified.

August 12, 2014 – Department of Geology & Mineral Industries (DOGAMI)

November 11, 2014- Oregon Historical Society

Adjournment

Eliza called for the meeting to adjourn at 11:40 am.