

**Travel Information Council
Special Executive Session Meeting
Tuesday, November 20, 2012
Oregon Travel Experience Office - Salem, OR**

Council Participating:

Gwenn Baldwin, Chair, 3rd Congressional District
Charlotte Lehan, 5th Congressional District
Danuta Pfeiffer, 4th Congressional District
David Porter
Ed Washington

Mike Drennan, Member-at-Large
Mary Olson, Secretary, OTC Appointed
Maria Ponzi, 1st Congressional District
Bob Russell, Vice Chair

Council Absent:

Tom Loun

Guests Present:

Jennifer Rogers, DAS

OTE Staff Participating:

Jenn Smith, Executive Assistant

Heather Swanson, Rest Area Administrator

Chair Baldwin called the meeting to order at 8:29 AM.

October 11, 2012 minutes: Porter made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Drennan seconded. The motion passed with Baldwin, Drennan, Olson, Pfeiffer, Ponzi, Porter, Russell and Washington voting yes; Lehan abstained.

Discussion: Baldwin thanked the Screening Committee for all of their time and hard work on the CEO recruitment process. In addition Baldwin thanked the staff at DAS, Twyla Lawson and Jennifer Rogers, for their hard work in the process.

Russell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and re-open in Executive Session for the purpose of CEO interviews. Porter seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 am.

Baldwin closed the Executive Session and opened the Council meeting to public comment at 11:11 am.

Baldwin announced that after interviewing both candidates, the Council was interested in offering the CEO position to Kyle Walker.

Several staff members commented that they were pleased with the choice and looked forward to having a new leader for the agency.

Olson, Ponzi and Baldwin all noted they thought Walker would be a good fit for the agency and the direction it was headed.

Drennan made a motion that Council should extend an offer of employment to Kyle Walker. Porter seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 11:17 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Olson
Secretary