



Oregon Society of Respiratory Care

Friday, June 6th, 2025

10:00-14:00

Salem Health and Teams Meeting Agenda

Executive Board: Chris Galer, Tony Garberg, Renee Angstrom, Cathy Melero, Rachael Sims

Delegates/Directors: Jackie Williams, Carrie Coffman, Stacy O’Keeffe, Lauren Nielson

Chair Attendees: Mickie Hartley, Manya Kanavalov, Phillip Contreras, Dennis Williams

Medical Director:

Attendees: Virginia Gaze

Technical Difficulties with Teams: Melissa and April

Time	Topic	Presenter
10:00-10:05	Welcome, Introductions and Roll Call	Chris and Rachael
10:05-10:10	Approval of Old Minutes Feb 2025	Renee made a motion to approve, Rachael 2 nd the motion.

New Business

10:10-10:14	President Report Chris-Administrative Duties	➤ Roles and Responsibilities provided as handouts at the meeting, and the rest will be sent by email. ➤ Expectations and Requirements • Members are required to attend 75% of meetings. • Technical difficulties & deployment will not be counted as a missed meeting. • If members cannot attend 75% of the meetings, then that member will be responsible for paying conference fees. • All members are expected to perform a task at the conference both days.
10:14-10:30	- Website Update - Nancy-Wishlist	➤ Nancy went over her Wishlist for OSRC website changes: see Board Reports. • Lauren suggested advertising board positions on the website.



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10:30-10:45	• Lauren-Fundraising • Nancy-Website Updates	• Mickie and Lauren will tag team updating social media and marketing platforms.
10:45-10:55		➤ It has been difficult to fundraise for the Silent Auction. Lauren suggested we advertise a \$3000 vacation trip and sell tickets for \$100 each. The funds will go towards scholarship funding. ➤ Nancy will need information from board members to add to the website. It would be cheaper to post the information all at once. ➤ Promote the AARC Connect for board position voting. Nominees will need to provide a picture and paragraph for the website. The Nominees will provide credentials, place of employment, and involvement with OSRC. ➤ Cost for posting Board member pictures and paragraphs, budget set for \$300. Tony motioned to approve, Manya seconded the motion, all approved. ➤ Tony made a motion that if the cost is >\$300, Chris will send out a vote to board members to increase the budget. Renee second the motion, all in favor. ➤ Mickie suggested "Save the Date" for 2026 be provided on the Conference link.
10:55-11:16	• Chris & Tony- Conference 2025	➤ Tony requested the tax number to help with gathering donations to support the scholarship funds. Cathy will send the information. ➤ Volunteers for the Conference Committee. Mickie has organized a spread sheet listing clear roles of responsibility. Everyone on the board is expected to volunteer for one or more jobs. • Venders, CEUs, Speakers • Catering, Photographer, Registration • Media coordinator, etc



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11:16-11:27	2026 OSRC Conference Discussion • Tony- VP	➤ Tony will send out an email in August to arrange the first conference meeting. Roles and responsibilities will be outlined. ➤ Jackie volunteered to be a speaker to discuss the Trach Care Program at Salem Hospital Respiratory Care Department has implemented. ➤ Chris would like everyone to bring names of speakers they are reaching out to. ➤ Chris suggested an Early Bird Discount, which will be voted on at next meeting in Sept. Tony said the Trends Conference offers an early bird discount.
11:27-11:40	• Mickie- Public Awareness • Templets • Conference Title	➤ CANVA program is approved and will be billed to the OSRC credit card annually. Templets can be created and updated each year. ➤ Mickie is using Google Docs to organize advertising on social media sites. ➤ Mickie provided a list of Conference Title options. The group selected ✓ <i>"Next Gen RT/ Advancing Care through Innovation & Insight."</i> ➤ Tony motion to approve, Manya second the motion, all in favor.
11:40-12:00	• Rachael- Secretary • Logo	➤ Secure two tablecloths and one retractable banner for conferences. ✓ Approved budget is \$1200, if over approved amount, then it will go to the board for vote. Cathy motion, Manya second, all in favor. ✓ Plan to have the items before the Trends Conference on Sept 25th and 26th.



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	Board Meeting Dates	Stoller Family Estate: September 5 th Salem Hospital: November 7 th Corvallis Good Samaritan: February 13 th Seaside: March 24 th , 25 th and 26 th
12:00-12:30	LUNCH	Little Lois
12:30-13:00	Director & Chair Reports • PACT - Tony and Manya Delegates • Jackie • Cathy Director's Reports • Central: Melissa • Southern: Carrie • Northeast: Nancy • Eastern: Stacy Education Chair • Lauren Public Committee Awareness • Mickie Military Liaison • Phillip Membership • Dennis	✓ See Board Reports
13:00-13:10	OSRC at TRENDS • Chris	➤ Volunteers for the 2-day conference. ➤ Supplies: "Save the Date" flyers, tablecloths and banners, candy, outline of board meeting dates. ➤ Spinning Wheel provided by Rachael. Attendees can win prizes like drawstring bags, stickers, and candy bars.
13:20-13:22	Round table	• Looking to raise more money for scholarships • Trends Conference is Sept 25th & 26th ✓ Volunteers: 25th is Mickey and Cathy ✓ Volunteers: 26th is Renee, and Manya and Mickey ½ day possibly.
13:22	Meeting Adjourned	



Oregon Society of Respiratory Care Board Report

Committee of Region: President

Board Member/Chair (Co-Chair): Chris Galer

Date: 06/07/2025

☐ Recommendations ☒ Informational ☐ Educational

Report:

Expectations:

- Attend 75% of the meetings. Submit a board report even if you cannot attend before the next scheduled meeting. Everyone is expected to submit a board report to the Secretary.
- Job descriptions will be handed out or sent by email to board members.
 - Executive, Delegate, Director, and Chair members
- Conference Participation: everyone will sign up for a duty

2025 Conference

- Review of new ideas discussed at the May 16th meeting.

Meeting Dates

September 5th

November 7th or 21st

February 13th

March 24th

OHSU Trends Conference

- Volunteers needed to run the booth on September 25th and 26th.
- Venue is OHSU Auditorium

Recommendations :

OSRC Action :



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Committee of Region: Treasurer

Board Member/Chair (Co-Chair): Cathy Melero

Date: June 5th, 2025

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Report:

Bank Balance as of 06/05/2025 is \$46,651.75

Conference:

Income: \$50, 853.74

Expenses: \$53,692.00

Scholarship: \$3000.00

Delegate: Summer Forum Booked

**Activity: Taxes filed and accepted
Audit submitted**

Recommendations:

OSRC Action:



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Committee of Region: Secretary

Board Member/Chair (Co-Chair): Rachael Sims

Date: 06/15/2025

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Educational

Report: Retractable banner and two tablecloths for conferences.

Supplier: Supervinyl 390 Central St NE Salem Oregon, Mark Adams Owner

Budget approval: \$1200, if more then send to board for approval.

Approved banner provided in the link below:



osrctablebnnr.pdf

Both banners were denied.



Tablecloths were approved.

Recommendations:

OSRC Action:



Oregon Society of Respiratory Care Board Report

Committee of Region: Northeastern

Board Member/Chair (Co-Chair): Nancy Nathenson, RRT

Date: March/April, 2025

☐ Recommendations ☒ Informational ☐ Educational

Report:
Adventist Health Columbia Gorge- Maria Carabantes

- 1 per diem position open
- 1 Full Time this summer for a retiring staff
- They have chosen the Hamilton C-1 to replace the V-60
 - The C1 has multiple applications for their small rural hospital including invasive, non-invasive and transport
 - Ben Wallen in Tillamook coordinating the C-1 transition for the Adventist Hospital system to replace the V-60
- New Baxter Quinton Q for Stress Testing
- PFT's Utilizing the MGC Body Box
- No notable respiratory illness trends

Portland Adventist Medical Center- New Member [Spock Inpeng](#) | Manager | Pulmonary Department, Sleep Center, EEG Lab

- No positions open currently but the possibility for 1-2 in the coming months as we look to back fill an open Supervisor and also replacement if an internal candidate is hired.
- We have a mix of experiences ranging from a couple of years to over 30 years for our current staff.
- Currently aligning our clinical ladder to nursing. RCP 3-4 with 4 applicants for this year going from RCP 2 to 3.
- Epic (OHSU) is currently being enhanced as we work to see what documentation is missing from when we were on Cerner.
- Currently we have associates out on maternity leave and have no problem finding travelers when needed which is good compared to year ago.
- Currently our respiratory census is higher than usual for this time of year due to seasonal and population for our area.



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Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital- Bob Apsey

- We have two On Call positions open
- System wide trial of Hamilton C1 and Bellavista for possible replacement of V-60's
- We are having very good success with our Nursery resuscitation utilizing IPV prior to Bubble CPAP
- No current challenges of note
- Illness Trends Everything is heading downward to nonexistent. All mask requirements lifted

Kaiser Sunnyside and Kaiser Westside Medical Center-Matt Dryden

- 1 FT position at Westside.
- Will be trialing the Syntec IPV machine soon. They do have a newer model of it that they are hoping to get past the FDA this year. (doubtful given the state of FDA right now).
- Kaiser is moving to the Servo Air. I have not purchased any because my V-60's are still working well currently.
- I have survived 7 years of managing these two Kaiser hospitals :o)
- Recruitment challenges due to lower wages now at Kaiser. Hopefully bargaining will go well and we will be back at the top of the wage scale.
- Not necessarily particular illness trends just all-around sicker patients in critical care.

Legacy Emanuel Medical Center –Deb Regan

- One FT night shift, one night shift on call, one night shift KIDS transport team.
- Bellavista trial pending to replace V-60
- Hollister ETT holder failures
- Influenza A

Legacy Meridian Park Medical Center

- No job openings
- They have chosen the Bella Vista to replace the V-60
- Flu is trending downward



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Oregon Health Sciences University Hospital-[Admir Beganovic](#)

Admir advanced from interim to Senior RT Manager (ADULTS)

Job Opportunities

- 1 Adult Day
- 5 Peds Night
- Adult Manager interview in progress
- Peds Manager posted

Programs, processes, trials or studies for the adult patient population?

- Studies
- Prevent- vili: esophageal balloon
- Save O2 -iA
- Exhaled Breath

Successes

- AVW-Hamilton Conference August 19
- 29 annual Trends in Respiratory Care September 25 and 26
- Department moving

Challenges

- Peds staffing

Have you selected a replacement for the V-60?

- Not yet

What respiratory illness trends are you seeing?

- RSV in peds

New member: [Buck Khalifa](#) is OHSU's Pediatric/Neonatal RT Manager

- 5 Noc shift openings
- Utilizing Bubble therapy up to 33 weeks in NICU with less BPD
- Hi Flow study with medication delivery
- Trial conducted with ResMed Astral to replace Philips Respironics Trilogy.
- Current Respiratory illnesses
 - Cystic Fibrosis (common)
 - Influenza B
 - RSV



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Legacy Mt. Hood-Sharon Shaw

- On Call positions only at this time.
- No new facility updates
- In the process of evaluating Vyaire Bellavista and the Hamilton C-1 to replace the V-60
- Just coming out of a long respiratory season, Flu, RSV.

Recommendations:

Proposed OSRC action:

Ask the board to consider allowing all of the Regional Directors' Leadership/Facility quarterly reports to be shared with the RT Leadership of all regions in the state in an effort to facilitate connectedness and the expansion of their networks.

Additional Report

OSRC WEBSITE WISH LIST 3 DRAFT

June 6, 2025

Submitted by Nancy Nathenson

GET INVOLVED Page

CONTENT TO PROVIDE LEWIS MEDIA:

JOIN THE AARC

LINK TO MEMBERSHIP

_ AARC information Conferences/Meetings

- AARC House of Delegates HOD Summer and Winter Dates
- Closed meeting for delegates only
 - 2025 HOD Summer Meeting-Annually
 - July 15-16, 2025 (Monday-Tuesday) Fr. Lauderdale, FL
 - 2025 HOD Winter Meeting-Annually
 - December 4-5, 2025 (Thursday-Friday) Phoenix, AZ
 - <https://www.aarc.org/membership/state-societies/house-of-delegate-resources/>



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- **AARC Summer Forum**

2025 AARC's Summer Forum-Annually

Fort Lauderdale, FL, July 12–14. (Saturday-Monday_

- <https://www.aarc.org/events-and-programs/aarc-summer-forum/>

AARC International Congress

- 2025 International Congress-Annually

- December 6–9 (Sat–Tues), Phoenix, AZ

- <https://www.aarc.org/events-and-programs/aarc-congress/>

BECOME AN OSRC BOARD OR COMMITTEE MEMBER!

Executive Board **Elected** offices:

Role descriptions (few sentences) and requirements for the positions

- President
- V.P
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Delegates
 - Senior
 - Junior
- PACT Reps x 2
- Regional Directors x 5
 - Northeastern
 - Northwestern
 - Central
 - Eastern
 - Southern

Board Appointed Positions

- **Student representative**
 - typically serve until graduation
 - Expectations of service
 - Attend Board meetings
 - Other Assignments/projects



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- **Committee Chairs-** **reappointed as needed**
 - Education Chairs x 2 (1 vacancy)
 - Membership x 2
 - Social Media
 - Public Awareness
 - Military Liais

ATTEND AN OSRC BOARD MEETING!

- OSRC Select Board Meeting Dates for 2025
 - Include meetings open to attendees
 - Who to contact to request attendance
 - Individuals may suggest an agenda item for approval
- Post alert on FB?

RUN FOR OFFICE OR BECOME A COMMITTEE CHAIR!

Elections Process

Is there a process? Does it need clarifying and updating?

Where is a List of requirements?

CONSIDER requiring a photo and a short bio/ letter of intent to post on FB or website and go out with the nominations for voting.

Survey Monkey or another program for voting?

Winners announced at the Spring Conference

How can we increase candidate search?

- Facebook
- Through Regional Directors Leadership contacts
- Other?

WELCOME STUDENT VOLUNTEERS!

- Photographer @ conference?
- Social Media during the conference?
- Running Silent Auction and donations
- Other?



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WAYS TO DONATE

Do we have a way to donate to the OSRC or to other potential fund raising such as student scholarships or other initiatives?

- Options/Tools
 - Zeffy (0% processing fees) –
 - Zeffy donation form embed code (if you need help getting Zeffy set up, they have a support team and/or YouTube tutorials)
 - Venmo?
- Peer-to-Peer fundraising option
 - <https://profundfs.com/>

Regional Directors Focus

INSTEAD of a Directors Page... On the Board Page – Directors Photos will have a click option that **REVEALS** Credentials, Job Title, Facility

CONTENT PREPARED, LISTED HERE:

Director, Northeastern Region- Nancy Nathenson, RRT
Respiratory Care/Health Educator & Consultant
Independent Contractor Oregon City, OR

Director, Northwestern Region -**VACANT**

Director, Central Region-Melissa Pittenger
Melissa Pittenger, MSMS, BSRT, RRT-ACCS

Director, Southern Region-Carrie Coffman
Carrie Coffman RRT
Respiratory Therapy
Staff Development Specialist
Nursing Professional Development
Asante Health System

- Eastern-Stacy O'Keefe



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Stacy O'Keeffe, RRT, RRT-ACCS, RRT-NPS

Adult Critical Care Specialist and ABG Specialist

Respiratory Care

Rogue Regional Medical Center and Ashland Community Hospital

Provide details for each hospital in the regions. Not sure how that will show up on the site but content is below

1. Hospital Name- **DONE**
2. City- **DONE**
3. Type(s) such as Critical Access, Trauma Level 1, Acute Care, etc **PENDING**

DO WE need to include this designation as well?

There is a site for this information here:

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/PROVIDERPARTNERRESOURCES/EMSTRAUMASYSTEMS/TRAUMASYSTEMS/Pages/designlvl.aspx#atab>

4. Sort alphabetically- **DONE**
5. Links to hospital websites- **DONE**

REGIONAL HOSPITALS CONTENT NOT INCLUDED IN THIS DOCUMENT
IN ORDER TO BE BRIEF