

**Travel Information Council
Oregon Travel Experience – Salem, OR
Wednesday, January 7, 2015**

Council Participating:

Gwenn Baldwin, Chair, 3rd Congressional District
Charlotte Lehan, 5th Congressional District
Bob Russell, Vice Chair
Kathy Watson, 2nd Congressional District

Mike Drennan, Member-at-Large
David Lohman, OTC Representative (Telephonic)
Ed Washington

OTE Staff Participating:

Troy Costales, Interim CEO

Jenn Smith, Executive Assistant

Guests:

Enrique Sama, Executive Recruiter, DAS

The meeting was called to order by Chair Baldwin at 1:04 pm.

- A) **Introductions:** Council, staff and guest introduced themselves.
- B) **December 11, 2014 minutes:** Baldwin asked for the minutes from this meeting be deferred to the January 22, 2015 Council meeting. All present concurred.
- C) **Public Comment:** There was none.
- D) **Interview of Chief Executive Officer Candidates:** Baldwin adjourned the Council to Executive session under ORS 192.660(2)(a) in order to interview and evaluate CEO candidates.
- E) **Open Session of Council to vote on CEO Job Offer:** Washington made a motion for Council to grant Chair Baldwin authority to enter into negotiations with Nancy DeSouza for the position of CEO of the Oregon Travel Experience within the boundaries of the set salary and benefits schedule. Russell 2nd; motion passed unanimously.
- F) **Other Business:** Smith presented Council with an itinerary and other information for the upcoming meeting January 21-22, 2015 in Tillamook. Lehan announced she will not be able to be present at the upcoming meeting but will participate via phone. Washington announced he will not be able to attend the community reception in Tillamook, but will be in attendance at the meetings.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Watson
Secretary