

# **RADIATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Minutes**  
**February 8, 2017**

## **Call to Order – Public Session**

Donna Stevens, chair, called the Radiation Advisory Committee (RAC) into public session on February 8, 2017 at 10:05 a.m. in Conference Room 1E of the Portland State Office Building.

## **Members Present**

Stevens, Donna (Chair)  
Bremner, DMD, Fred  
Franco, Jane  
Cyman, DVM, Juliana  
Smith, Barbara  
Reese, Steve, PhD  
Young, Scott

## **Members Absent**

Henrikson, Mandy (called in)

## **OHA Representatives**

Howe, David  
Lind, Lee  
High, ND, Jere  
Villamar, Glenda  
Riley, Nic  
Wendt, Rick  
Leon, Daryl  
Haskins, Hilary

## **Guests**

Kihs, Linda, ODAA  
Hess, Catherine, Legacy Health

## **Introduction of Members and Guests**

Radiation Advisory Committee members, Radiation Protection Services (RPS) personnel and guests introduced themselves. Mandy Henrikson called in and introduced herself, expressing her regrets for not being able to attend in person.

## **Approval of Minutes**

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Minutes from the October 12, 2016 meeting were sent to the members for their review, prior to the meeting. Donna suggested some minor changes, which were included in the draft distributed today. After some discussion, the minutes were adapted with one additional clarification.

**Motion**

Dr. Fred Bremner moved and Barb Smith seconded the motion to approve the October 12, 2016 Radiation Advisory Committee minutes, after corrections. The motion passed unanimously.

**2016 RPS Annual Summary**

David introduced Lee Lind, who has taken over Connie Grater’s position as RPS Administrative Specialist.

Rick Wendt narrated a PowerPoint presentation that detailed RPS personnel development and training schedule.

David discussed the RPS budget and financial statements for the Fiscal Biennium July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016. RPS Program Expenditures totaled \$2.85 million, and revenues collected totaled \$3.6 million.

Rick discussed the Electronic Products program, and detailed RPS’s inspection schedule over the last fiscal biennium, and highlighted the top issues of non-compliance for the last calendar year. The most common citation was for “operators not properly trained.”

Rick presented reports on the X-Ray, Tanning and RML programs, detailing the inspection schedules and most common issues of non-compliance in each program over the last fiscal biennium.

Rick’s presentation also described all of the variances approved over the last year, and

RPS focus areas for 2017 will include:

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- Work on adapting new fluoroscopy rules via RAC subcommittee recommendations.
- Developing new industrial rules
- Separating veterinary rules into their own dedicated division
- Cross training staff (X-ray, Tanning, RML)
- Enhancing our web page
- Creating public tanning education literature
- Developing a compliance incentive program for the tanning industry
- Initiating electronic field reporting (EFR)
- Exploring new revenue streams
- Preparing for a successful IMPEP audit.

### **Proposed Rulemaking**

Rick mentioned

Federal Rule Compatibility Revisions

Thyroid Collar Use in Dental Radiography

### **Updates/Projects**

David talked about the recent discussion over fluoroscopy guidelines. The issues is currently tabled, pending OBMI legal review.

David also talked about the expectations and preparations for the upcoming IMPEP audit.

### **Electronic Products Discussion**

Over lunch, Rick presented a report on the recently approved DexCowan handheld dental X-ray device. RPS completed a safety assessment and tested the model prior to approving it as the second handheld dental device that can be used in Oregon.

### **RML Licensing Discussion/Updates**

Rick talked about RPS radioactive waste disposal efforts, and plans to segregate, repackage and dispose of everything currently held at the Portland State Office

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Building. RPS plans to partner with Metro, who will allow us use of their hazardous waste processing facility. A target date for disposal is set for a weekend in late February.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 1:49 pm

The next meeting for the Radiation Advisory Committee is scheduled for June 7, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nic Riley

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