MEETING NOTICES

<u>Relative Information</u>: Oregon Public Meetings Law requires that public notice be given of the time and place of all public meetings, including regular, special, and emergency meetings. This requirement applies to all meetings for which a quorum is required even if the meeting is for the sole purpose of gathering information to serve as the basis for a subsequent decision or recommendation by the Board.

The law requires that notice be given to the media and to those who have stated in writing that they wish to be notified of meetings. The notice must include a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting. A reasonable effort must be demonstrated to be inclusive but the law does not preclude the addition of items to the agenda that arose after the preparation of the agenda.

The Public Meetings Law provides specific detail related to content, timing, and distribution of required notices depending on the nature and type of meeting. The Board and Administrative Staff must be aware of and ensure notices comply with these standards. The State Attorney General's Office publishes and makes available through the Internet the "Attorney General's Public Records and Meetings Manual."

Policy Statement: It is the policy of the Board of Directors that all meetings are properly advertised in accordance with the Public Meetings Law and that, if notice cannot be or was not properly given, no business of the Board will be conducted.