

# Oregon Council of Rocks and Minerals

## Resolution

To be voted on by the representatives of each member club who attend the Annual Meeting in Madras, Oregon on July 4, 2009

Whereas: membership in the Oregon Council of Rocks and Minerals (OCRM) is and has been declining for many years;

Whereas: attendance at OCRM's meetings has been very poor for many years;

Whereas: recruiting volunteers to run for officer positions in the OCRM has been increasingly difficult;

Whereas: OCRM is so small and inactive that we do not have the power to make a difference in what the government or any other entity does with our public lands;

Whereas: there is a much larger and more active group of rockhounds, the American Lands Access Association, that does have the power and the charter to lobby government agencies responsible for our public lands;

Therefore: The OCRM should be disbanded and all money in the OCRM treasury, minus expenses needed to complete the disbanding, be dispersed to those member clubs currently in good standing on April 25, 2009. The amount of the disbursement to each club will be determined according to a count of the number of members on the current OCRM membership list since this is the way that dues are assessed. Clubs may have the option of having their portion of the disbursement donated to the American Lands Access Association.

The club's decision on the option of retaining or donating their portion of the disbursement is to be decided by the individual club. The club's decision is to be reported in writing to the OCRM Treasurer, Beth Heesacker, by October 1, 2009. This written decision will be signed by the club's OCRM representative and by the President of the club.

Disbursement will be completed by November 1, 2009.

Determination of what is to be done with the display case at the Oregon Capital Building in Salem and the OCRM Trophy will be made after the vote if this resolution passes.

This resolution will be posted on the OCRM web site as soon as possible after the April 25, 2009 meeting and mailed to all clubs in the next OCRM newsletter sent out before the July 4, 2009 meeting.

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