



MAY 16, 2025

Board meeting minutes FINAL

ATTENDEES

Board

Greg Jones, Cristina Gonzales, Dionne Irvine, Austin Kraemer, Gary Mortensen, Robert Moshier, Adam Ramirez

Absent

Tiquette Bramlett, Maria Ponzi

Staff

Gina Bianco, Jessica Willey

Guests

Julie Pond, NW Center for Small Fruits Research

MEETING OPENING

- Chair G. Jones called the Oregon Wine Board public meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Research Committee

- G. Jones and J. Willey provided background on the research grant process and FY2025-26 proposed slate of research projects.

MOTION: G. Mortensen moved to approve funding for \$352,208. This includes five ongoing research projects and one new project to start in the upcoming fiscal year. A. Kraemer seconded. The motion carried 7-0.

Guest, Julie Pond, gave an update on the Northwest Berry Foundation (NBF)/Northwest Center for Small Fruits Research (NCSFR) activity and shared that NBF's contract to administer NCSFR had recently been renewed.

Other OWB Business

- G. Bianco provided a recap of the D.C. fly in trip she participated in, for which she provided data and contextual information to the work OWA, and participating wineries were doing to help educate the Oregon Congressional Delegation on the challenges facing the Oregon wine industry, such as tariffs and challenges stemming from the anti-alcohol movement.

MEETING FINALIZATION

- Chair G. Jones adjourned the Oregon Wine Board public meeting at 1:56 p.m.