



OREGON SCHOOL SAFETY
OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

2021 VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

SAFETY: PREPARATION IS KEY



August 5th: 8am - 3pm
August 6th: 9am - 12pm
via ZOOM!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Membership;

I would like to welcome each of you to our "virtual" OSSOA 2021 summer conference. We are excited to spend two days with you as we discuss and learn about school safety topics. We hope everyone will take away something of value which can be implemented in your organization.

The last school year was unprecedented and challenged everyone. It taught us all new vocabulary terms such as "mandate", "social-distancing", "quarantine", "contact-tracing", "essential-worker" and lest we forget our favorite word, "pivot!" We all learned to pivot on a weekly, if not daily, basis. Yet somehow we all came together for the sake of our students.

"Show me someone who has done something worthwhile, and I'll show you someone who has overcome adversity." - Lou Holtz

We all faced the challenges of educating students remotely, feeding students who needed sustenance, as well as emotionally supporting our students, families and staff members; many faced those challenges while also enduring great personal loss, having family members on the front line as essential workers, or watching someone close to us battle against the COVID-19 virus.

Each of our stories are different, but a couple of things remain the same. Our resilience and our dedication to keeping students and staff safe. As we learn to pivot once more to reopening our schools with a full time schedule, we also look forward to picking up the things we set aside while focusing on COVID. We know there will be new mandates, there will be more pivoting, but by being here at this conference, you are saying...

"I am ready for this challenge."

"I am ready to welcome students back to school."

"I will do what it takes to bring them back to a safe and secure building."

I truly believe we will look back on this time with a stronger sense of who we are and what we can accomplish. I feel honored to be part of such a dedicated group. And, on behalf of myself and the OSSOA Board, thank you for being here and we hope you find the information valuable.

Gail Lockard
2021 OSSOA President

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

AUGUST 5, 2021

8:00 AM to 8:15 AM - Annual Business Meeting and Board Election

8:15 AM - 9:45 AM - Before the Ground Shakes presented by Steve Eberlein, Ethos Evacuation Strategies

9:45 AM to 9:55 AM - Break

9:55 AM to 10:00 AM - PACE Introduction presented by Dave Harvey

10:00 AM to 10:50 AM - Sex Abuse Prevention and Sexual Conduct Legal Requirements presented by McKenzie R. Nix
SDAO; Tonyia Brady, PACE Legal

10:50 AM to 11:00 AM - Break

11:00 AM to 11:50 AM - Career Technical Education/RM Department Partnership for Students to be Successful
presented by Nichole Spearman-Eskelsen, Salem Keizer Public Schools; Paula Phelps,
Salem Keizer Public Schools

11:50AM to 12:30PM - Lunch

12:30 PM to 1:00 PM - Legislative Updates presented by Richard Donovan, OSBA

1:00 PM to 1:50 PM - Community Colleges and High School Student Integration presented by Alan Bunch, PACE

1:50 PM to 2:00 PM - Break

2:00 PM to 2:50 PM - Round Table: Re-entry this Fall and Club Liability Contracts

2:50 PM to 3:00 PM - Closing Statements

AUGUST 6, 2021

9:00 AM to 9:50 AM - Transients on Campus; A School District's Response presented by Rick Puente, Director of
Public Safety/Chief of Police, Beaverton School District

9:50 AM to 10:00 AM - Break

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM - Round Table: Turf, Cyber Security, Tech in Safety

SPEAKERS

BEFORE THE GROUND SHAKES

Steve Eberlein

Ethos Preparedness



Steve Eberlein and his wife were living in Sri Lanka when a massive tsunami struck the country, taking 35,000 there and 200,000 others in communities surrounding the Indian Ocean. Their work on the Lanka Tsunami Response Team took them to every tsunami-impacted district, where they saw firsthand the toll that disasters take on unprepared countries and communities.

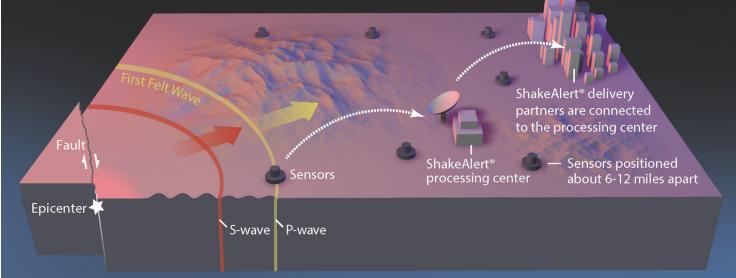
Only upon returning to the US did they learn that my native Pacific Northwest is awaiting a very similar event: a tsunami-generating subduction zone earthquake. Since 2016, Steve has dedicated his career to disaster preparedness education and advocacy, with a particular focus on communities and workplaces that will be impacted by the Cascadia Subduction Zone and San Andreas Fault system. He's delivered more than 200 earthquake preparedness presentations, reaching more than 25,000 audience members.

The aim of his work is best embodied by his 2018 TEDx Talk, "Why we do not prepare for earthquakes." Disaster unpreparedness is a fragile cultural phenomenon that can be undone if enough people step up to the challenge. His role is to recruit new voices to the challenge.



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SPEAKER INFORMATION

Legislative Updates

RICHARD DONOVAN

Richard Donovan joined OSBA as a legislative specialist in September 2016. Previously, Richard served for four years as the committee administrator for the House and Senate Committees on Education at the Oregon Legislature. In that role, he was responsible for all aspects of legislative policy committee work, including bill management, policy analysis, and procedural expertise. Previously, Richard worked at the New York City Department of Education in the Office of Student Enrollment, where he was part of a team responsible for placing more than 100,000 students in high school annually. He has also worked in international business, living and working for a time in Manila, Philippines.

Richard received a bachelor's degree from Washington College and a Juris Doctor degree from Vermont Law School. In law school, he worked for a semester in the chambers of Judge Richard M. Berman in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. In his spare time, Richard enjoys spending time with his family, as well as annually having his hopes and dreams crushed by the team of his youth, the New York Mets.

Sex Abuse Prevention and Sexual Conduct Legal Requirements

MCKENZIE NIX

McKenzie Nix is the Sexual Assault and Molestation Prevention Specialist for PACE. McKenzie is an Air Force veteran and former Oregon State University soccer player. She graduated from OSU in 2017 with her Bachelors in Kinesiology and her Master's in Sports Industry Management from Georgetown University in 2019.

Prior to working with PACE, McKenzie served as the Special Assistant to the Athletics Director at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio. McKenzie managed the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), all special projects for the Athletics Director, and developed annual Life Skills seminars for student-athletes that centralized around 7-dimensions of wellness. In 2020, McKenzie helped organize the first ever Power Based Violence workshop for student-athletes. The workshop focused on sexual assault, as well as power dynamics in all types of relationships, consent, active bystanders, and intersectionality.

TONYIA BRADY

Tonyia joined OSBA's legal department in 2020. Prior to joining OSBA, she worked as an employment litigator at a small firm in Salem, Oregon for over 9 years. Tonyia has significant experience in employment law litigation as well as counseling and advising clients in various areas of the law. At OSBA, she provides advice, trainings, and litigation services to member school districts, charter schools, ESDs, and community colleges.

Transients on Campus: A School District's Response

RICK PUENTE

Rick is the current Vice President of the Oregon School Resource Officers Association and the Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police for the Beaverton School District. Rick has served in law enforcement and investigations for the past 27 years with the past 17 years focused on school safety and youth intervention. Rick has served in many law enforcement roles throughout his career, but states his favorite role was being a school resource officer. Rick brings a wealth of knowledge, experience, and cultural understanding to the role of the SRO and will provide some great and humorous insight on addressing school safety related issues. Rick currently resides in Woodburn, Oregon where he lives with his wife of 21 years and 3 children.

SPEAKER INFORMATION

Career Technical Education & RM Department Partnership for Students to be Successful

NICHOLE SPEARMAN-ESKELSEN

Nichole Spearman-Eskelsen is a graduate of Oregon State University with a Master's in Education, emphasis in agricultural education. Following graduation she taught agricultural education for sixteen years. During this time she was also a professional learning community leader for her region to assist in growth of programs and teacher professional development. Her next step was to join Salem-Keizer Public Schools as the career and technical education regional coordinator for three years at which point she completed her administrative licensure program. She is currently in her 19th year in education is a district level administrator for Salem-Keizer Public Schools overseeing career and technical education K-8 and well as summer programs K-12.

PAULA PHELPS, ARM-P, AIC, CPSI

Paula is a devoted safety professional serving as the Safety Officer for Oregon's second largest school district Salem Keizer Public Schools serving over 40,000 students and 5,000 staff. She is a dedicated professional who has a passion for keeping students, and those who support their education safe while also advocating for professional safety organizations, which she believes are instrumental in fostering professional growth. Paula's career to date has provided her with a wide variety of projects to manage, ranging from OSHA Inspections to leading safety initiatives to return staff and students to school amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

Currently you can also find Paula serving as Vice President for the OSSOA, member of OSFMA, OR PRIMA, and on the Executive Board of the Santiam Section of American Society of Safety Professionals where she just finished her term as President.

Minors on a Community College Campus – What Everyone Should Know

CLIFF CARPENTIER

Director, Safety & Loss Prevention
Linn-Benton Community College

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