

Raccoon Creek partnership meeting 2-26-07
Minutes

Attendance: Dan Imhoff, Wendy Shields, Dan perko, Heike Perko, Brett Lavery, Constance White, Ben McCament, Mike Schooley, MaryAnn Borch, Mitch Farley, and Jen Bowman

Announcements:

- 1) ODNR-DMRM needs 319 2008 match proposals by March 15th
- 2) Raccoon Creek Water Trails upcoming spring events:
 - a. April 14th – Zaleski State Forest Clean-up 8-12 meet at Headquarters
 - b. April 21st- Canoe Float Re-use to Vales Mill
 - c. April 28th- LRC clean-up 8-12
 - d. May 12th- Zaleski state forest canoe float to St. Rt. 356
- 3) Credible Data Training May 22-24 Water quality, June 25-29 biology training (Jen send email to Greg Nageotte)
- 4) Mike and Ben are attending the Watershed Academy Course
- 5) Ben distributed his Watershed Coordinator work plan for review
- 6) On Mother's Day this is a birding outing www.birdhocking.com
- 7) "Passport to Fishing" March 16 8:30-3:30

Discussion items:

- 1) Swimming not permitting in Zaleski State Forest – Either Water Trails Group or RCP want to be make a statement at the Open House Division of Forestry has each year?
- 2) Need to request a memo from Russ Gibson pertaining the 319 2008 RFP and water quality monitoring.

WATERLOO PRESENTATION

- 3) Waterloo presentation given by Heike and Dan Perko – over the next two months the RCP needs to make a decision about leasing this building for educational and research purposes. Send any comments you have from the presentation to Ben through email.

FEDERAL 501(c)3 APPLICATION

- 4) 501(c)3 application –We first need to have the state incorporation number then Ben will work with John Kellis on application. Everyone needs to ask for donations to gather the needed \$300 application fee. Mary Stoertz donated the State Incorporation fee of \$125.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

- 5) Membership committee – Brett passed out the membership memo that Constance and John Kellis worked on. One major item of discussion from Brett was to recruit new members of the RC board based on skills not just a time commitment. Brett will pick out a couple items to get started on from the list. Send any comments or suggestion to Brett.