

RCWTA and RCP Board Meetings November 19, 2014
6:00 Bldg. 22, Voinovich School, Ohio University

In Attendance: Alicia Rector, Dustin Gross, Amber Brookins, Natalie Kruse, Amy Mackey, Sarah Landers, Molly Gurien, and Glenn Stout.

RCWTA

A meeting of the Raccoon Creek Water Trail Association was first to occur.

- Sarah reported that the RCWTA account has \$2,259.13 and there were no transactions the past month. The cash box has \$129.00.
- Four water trail maps were sold at ROAR.
- Anything purchased on the RCWTA website triggers a notice of such being sent to the RCP website. Thomas Creech recently purchased a map online and we need to remember to mail it out. We need to buy some stamps and it takes two stamps in a business envelope to mail a map.

Molly recommends that RCWTA provide a 10% funds transfer to RCP by the end of the year. This meets the agreement for RCP assisting with various administrative duties.

Sarah will see how many maps the Lake Hope Lodge needs and said Gallia SWCD needs to mail us a check for its map sales.

Elections were held in October. Molly Gurien is Chairperson/Secretary. Glenn Stout is Vice Chairperson. Sarah Landers is Treasurer.

Glenn repaired lights and the frame on the canoe trailer. He will also move the fence gate to make trailer access easier. He needs 6 feet of chain link fence which Amy has.

The Southeast Ohio Tourism Expo is 3/7/2015. It coincides with OU's Spring Break. It is held at the University of Rio Grande. The AmeriCorps will staff it. We need to register and have a door prize. A trail map was suggested.

We got an email from Aubrey Davis stating that the Gallipolis Daily Tribune will post our events at no cost.

Signage

Natalie and Molly need to meet. We need to know the file format required by the printer, whether each sign needs a separate file, and the physical size of the printed sign. JFab is the sign company from McArthur.

The ODNR safety grant was not given due to an issue with our DUNS #. Alicia is taking care of this so we will be in line for the grant next year. We are trying to get funding for canoe instructor training and certification.

RCP

Minutes from the October 19th meeting (annual dinner) were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Water quality specialist -\$604.85

RCWTA -\$2259.13

Ora Anderson Fund- \$2200.38

General-\$4244.33

Total RCP account value \$7049.55

American electric power bill \$39.70 prior month \$41.50

Amazon smile deposit \$20.80

We need a fundraising committee meeting. Dustin had been working on a Jackie O's fundraising event but the fire has postponed that. Amber suggested waiting until Spring due to all the fundraising efforts for victims of the fire. We are now on the Casa tip distribution list.

Natalie is a member of the Athens Professionals for Philanthropy and nominated RCP to be an eligible non-profit to receive a grant. **Bob and Sarah will attend a meeting on 12/15/2014 at Lui Lui's to provide information about RCP.**

Natalie also said that at each OU home football game a selected non-profit is allowed to assist with beer sales can receive a portion of the income generated. This can be \$700-\$800. **Natalie will apply for the 2015 football season.**

Water Quality Specialist

Bob and Sarah attended the Jackson County SWCD annual dinner. Sarah also attended two others this year.

Sarah gave a presentation about the steel slag treatment process at the annual Water Management Association of Ohio statewide meeting.

The TAC meeting was 11/19.

- Water quality monitoring will be performed at Lake Morrow.
- 2015 construction monitoring will be at Middleton Run where a large reclamation project involves 9 former strip pits.
- The Flint Run Wetland Berm Project is next in line and will be built to increase retention time in the wetland.

Mineral Resources Management is moving to Zaleski from the E. State St. site. This led to a brief discussion of how we will best mail our water samples since before they were shipped out from E. State St. Perhaps we can print our own mailing labels.

Coordinator

- Thank you to the Board for helping to winterize at Waterloo.
- The annual dinner was a success. Everyone who bid on items is paid up.
- The registration fee for October's Hocktoberfest at Hocking College was refunded.

- Sarah's contract expires June 30th.
- Amy's contract expires December 31, 2015.
- Macro identification is underway with 70 samples in need of ID by February.
- Jeff Calhoun brought the fish shocking boat to the Gallia Farm/City Day. We got lots of compliments for the work we are doing.
- Amy has all the field work done for her level 3 fish credible data collector credential. Paperwork will be submitted over the winter.
- We are getting a new RCP website.
- We got nice feedback at the ROAR booth.
- Alicia and Dustin get an "A" for passing the AmeriCorps site visit.
- Amy and Natalie lead an OU student group to the doser.
- She did a demonstration for Vinton HS chemistry and biology classes.

AmeriCorps

- Alicia and Dustin said the Fall Day Camps were held 10/11 and 10/18 and had mediocre turnout but the attendees had fun with the nature and geology themes.
- They are helping with a stream study at Meigs Local where Heike teaches.
- Dustin gave a presentation to the Hocking College mineral resources management class and also asked for volunteer help.
- Enviroscene was updated.
- They are getting certified for Project Wet and Project Wild.
- Dustin is to call Pat Quakenbush about the Owl Prowl. We also need to invite John Higgenbottom (Lake Hope Naturalist). We can pay to rent the room at Lake Hope with a suggested donation of \$5.

Other

We will have to do officer elections via email since we do not have a quorum. It is important that the Board members notify us when they will not be able to attend.

Amy will prepare a holiday mailing. AmeriCorps will make card art. It needs to fit in a business envelope. A wish list of items was started.

We need to think about a single membership list for RCWTA and RCP. This needs to be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned.