

August 30th 2017 RCP Board Meeting

In Attendance: Molly, Glenn, Vance, Jessica, Emily, Abby, Amy, Sarah, and Rocky

Introductions - New Americorps

Welcome Emily (RCP1 email) and Abby (RCP2 email).

Rocky McKicle, former board member, joined us as well.

Review and Approve prior board meeting minutes

Amy nominated Jess to take notes.

Vance motioned to approve the July meeting minutes, Jessica seconded.

Treasurer Report

Jessica needs to schedule a time to meet with Amy and Sarah to balance the checking and savings accounts.

Vance noted we need to update the list of names on our RCP car insurance holders after our November elections.

It was also noted that on August 7th, due to some pass-through funds, we had \$22, 932.78 in our checking account. See below...

Savings	\$63.41
RCWTA	\$2,253.19
Waterloo A.	\$1,599.29
Checking	\$15, 198.02

This month we paid out:

Grange Insurance	\$1,533.50
Electric	\$37.38
OSU Ag. Resources	\$150.00 (OWLS will reimburse)
Glen Stout	\$27.00
Ohio University	\$6,000.00 (Daniels Run)
Kara Roberts (van fuel)	\$69.09

This month we received:

Canoe Sale	\$1,500.00
ASAP Grant Pay	\$6,000.00 (Daniels Run)
Amazon.com payment	\$13.12
Multiple Deposit	\$8,890.00

(Aquatic Education Grant – Sandboxes)

(RC&D Grant for Rain Barrel workshop - Bob and Heike wrote)

Watershed Coordinator Report

1. Sandboxes (3 total)

Locations = Waterloo, Captina Still Water Science Center, and Monday Creek Rural Action Office

Amy created a borrower's agreement with an equipment list

2. Allsboro OSM Grant was submitted in September of last year, it's now in Washington. Report due in

October.

3. 319 Grant – I think these projects are on hold until the OSM Grant comes through (Amy, you may have to clarify, my notes on this are confusing at best).
4. North American Native Fish Grant = We received \$500 for food for family fun day – we discussed the option to cater (rather than potluck). We also received \$150 for RCP event signage. Jess to talk with Americorps about new signs.
5. Fish shocking – Sunday and Monday Creeks are done, still need to do Buckeye Fork and Sand Fork
6. Doser – Abby and Emily cleaned the wheel, it was full of iron. Doser Facelift to come. Doser tour suggested for board members who haven't been there. Someone suggested setting up a doodle poll to find the best date.
7. Jennie Brancho – MSES Graduate student at the Voinovich School. She's new and reports to Amy and Sarah. She has done watershed work in Tinker's Creek and she wants more field experience. Projects Amy has in mind for her: Landowner written permissions for the 6 counties we sample in (current permissions are verbal only), Site Inventory (last done 5 years ago), Watershed update to share with landowners, identify site for Rain Garden location by May.
8. Molly has a student, Matt Conner, who is doing Hellbender research
9. Amy made final plea for Newsletter articles... Lake Hope Naturalist, Bobby about Raccoon Creek Outfitters, all 4 Americorps.

Water Quality Specialist Update

1. Sarah said we need to schedule a time to clean the Doser Ditch (after maintenance) – End of October, Beginning of November some time.
2. The Doser project is on hold until the...
3. Flint Run Lake Milton project is finished. So far the slag has been replaced.
4. Daniels Run project has begun, they just started grating the earth.
<Sarah is taking pictures of both projects>
5. Andrea Keys volunteered size 9 waders for \$30, we said go ahead and buy them.
6. Annual Soil & Water District Dinners are coming up. Amy and Sarah will email the confirmed dates. Amy is going to the Vinton Co. event, and Sarah is going to the Athens, Hocking, and Gallia co. events. Others include Jackson and Meigs.
7. Storm Drain Stenciling. Sarah has a student to help, and supplies to do the stenciling. Could always use volunteers as well. We need site suggestions. Site suggestions so far: McArthur (Amy), Zalesky (Glenn), Wellston (Sarah), Wilksville (Amy).
8. Fall Ohio Mine Land Conference – It will be at Burr Oak on Tuesday, October 17th and Wednesday, October 18th. ODNR, Watershed Coordinators, Coal Operators, Reclamation folks will all be present. Amy (and other watersheds) will be presenting.

AmeriCorps and Education Update

1. Abby wants to redesign the RPC logo. She's been training, attending orientations, and getting acquainted with the area. She has sampled twice, and has worked with Hocking Wildlife Resource Management, ODNR, EPA, and USDA in Clairmont County (near Cincinnati).
2. Emily plans on attending the OWLS Conference September 7th & 8th at Cuyahoga Valley. (OWLS has nothing to do with the birds, but everything to do with the Ohio Watershed Leaders). She is also willing to learn more about web design (and RCP in general) to help fix our Web Page.
3. Both have shocked fish with our team, and they collectively took an inventory of the RCP

merchandise.

4. They will work together to place a new t-shirt order from Zones before PawPaw fest.
5. They will also look into quick-dry shirts (poly) to order after PawPaw. Several board members expressed an interest. Emails to follow with options and order requests.

Board Elections

1. Molly noted that we needed an official resignation letter from Dustin. Amy has a text, so we can start the conversation to replace at our next annual dinner, but we'll need something in writing (or in person at our next meeting) for an official resignation.
2. Vance, Jess, and Molly's terms are up, but they can all re-run.
3. Bob termed out (Nooooooooooooo)
4. Glen will have to officially run to hold his spot.
5. Molly nominated Sarah to fill in for Dustin until November elections. Sarah accepted. Molly will send an email to all board members with Sarah's nomination.
6. Vance mentioned Bill Nose a well-connected farmer who lives on 356.
7. NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD MEMBERS NEED TO BE SENT TO MOLLY OR BOB BY OCTOBER 1ST.
8. We will need Bios from all nominees.
9. Heike is the only board member who is not running, she'll have to run the election.

Paw Paw Festival: Schedule and Slalom

1. Slalom 1pm on Saturday (Jess to send pics to Molly from our recent Slalom for PawPaw publicity).
2. Slalom applicants must register at our RCP booth.
3. Molly created a volunteer sign-up sheet, and passed it around. She will send an updated electronic version as well.
4. Sarah asked if we will be sending other boats out during the slalom, suggested minimizing the number of boats out at that time.
5. Vance will bring megaphones.
6. Amy mentioned that Shannon Stewart from Rural Action wanted to hold a sister-raffle, and raffle off a dry bag.
7. Set-up has to be done by 3pm on Friday
8. Our Americorps will get our 2 wrist bands
9. Glenn bringing canoes on Thursday – We need a new boat lock cable to tie boats together for overnights.
10. Molly will ask about additional wrist bands because of the slalom
11. Pamphlet combined brochure with RCP and Watertrails
12. Molly will clean donated solo kayak (and paddle) for the raffle
13. Molly will buy new vest and potentially a new paddle for the raffle (gift receipts)
14. We need raffle tickets (Staples or Walmart)
15. Sarah will bring the kayak and the stand for our booth display.

Water Trails Update: Public Lands Day Float

1. Canoe Trailer registration expires in September! Sarah will renew, and put paperwork in our Boat Binder.
2. Sarah noted that the 1st Presbyterian Church borrowed our boats. They fixed the lights on our trailer, and put air in the tires. They also donated \$100, so Amy sent them membership details.
3. Molly – Public Float scheduled for Saturday, September 30th to Celebrate Appalachian Ohio Public

Lands Day.

- a. Pre-registration is required.
- b. Board/volunteers scheduled to arrive at 9am, inviting the public to arrive at 10am.
- c. Put-in off of 218/Thivenor. We need a flyer before PawPaw.
- d. Glenn hauling boats (?)
- e. Molly getting waivers.
- f. Sarah had a lunch suggestion (I missed it, I'm sorry)

Annual Meeting

1. We need a featured speaker. (Bee guy & gal (Sarah) or Invasive Plants (Vance)).
2. Gather items for the Silent Auction
3. Date and time set, November 5th at 4pm.

Visit to Vance's Property

Jess suggested combining it with a Star-gazing activity if Bob is willing and able to lead it. We'll need to identify a date that works for all.

Other events: Moonville, ROAR, New Business/Announcements

1. Glen noted both the Fall Hike and Midnight at Moonville are scheduled for October 21st. Those who manned the RCP booth last year at the Moonville event expressed the lack of attention to our booth, especially in relation to the amount of work it took to set-up/clean up. Vance motioned to NOT DO Midnight at Moonville this year, and Jessica Seconded.
2. ROAR is scheduled at the Lodge on October 28th. It is a mid-day event. We would like to have a display at that event.
3. Sarah discussed Brook's work on low-head damn removal in Lake Ulma (Little Raccoon Creek). She's looking into Sandy Run. The one in Wellston can't be removed.
4. Is Marcus still mowing every 2 weeks, we'll need to send an email reminder and pay him for the work he's already done.
5. Amy will forward the email she received about Waterloo Educational Center and the House. (\$200 for the lab, \$600 for the house – fair market rent values). The septic tank at the house was filled in with sand and gravel. Our lease ends December 2018.
6. Vance mentioned a \$12 light that he purchased that could help with lighting at Waterloo until we get the lighting issue resolved.

Set Date for next meeting, Wrap Up – review action items

Next meeting is set for Wednesday, September 27th at the Voinovich Center (Amy will book the conference room).

Molly moved to adjourn and Jessica Seconded.