Raccoon Creek Board Meeting

October 24, 2018

BLGD 22, The Ridges 6:30 PM,

Present: Molly Gurien (Chair), Glenn Stout, Emily Keil-Loudner, Nora Sullivan (Vice-Chair), Amy Mackey (Watershed Coordinator), Annika Gurrola (AmeriCorps), Nikki Salas (AmeriCorps), Angie Cameron.

Molly established Quorum 6:30 PM

Treasure’s report, sent by Treasurer, given by Molly Gurien, and attached.

* Treasurer asks in report for total in cash box – total is $470.57

Update on Nominees for RCP board – Nora Sullivan reports that the current list of Nominees is Molly Gurien, Jess Makosky, Sarah Cornwell, Emily Keil-Loudner, and Scott Moody. Nora will send out an email asking for Bios for in the elections.

Watershed Coordinator’s Updates

* US Fish and Wildlife Fish Passage grant submitted for $77,500 for feasibility study for removal of the Vinton low head dam.
* Daniels Reclaim OSM grant has been completed, Jess is working on getting paid though ODNR.
* Islesboro reclaim continuing into 2019 most likely
* We are still working on getting sampling completed. Collection has been delayed by too much rain. A sampling event is planned for next Monday (10/29/18)
* Amy is doing a fish and Macro demo for Vinton Co. HS tomorrow at Lake Hope spillway or Sandy Run.
* She will also be presenting the dam project and others at University of Rio Grande on Nov 1.

AmeriCorps Update and Events:

* Tabling at the Athena Theater at the Flint Movie in the sustainability series.
* Appalachian Green Teacher’s Conference
* Preparation for Annual Dinner – 0-Waste form submitted
* Took sandbox to Vinton Co. schools
* Oak Hill after school program
* Weekend camp event went well – one very engaged family attended.

Upcoming Events:

* ROAR – Saturday Oct 27, 10 to 4 PM at Lake Hope. Amy, Annika and Nikki will set up 9-1, Nora and Emily will tear down 12-4.
* Annual Dinner Nov 3 4:00 Set up 2:00. Sign-up sheet was reviewed and duties assigned.

Water Trails Update:

* The canoe float was successful, with change of location to the RCO livery.
* Glenn will work on coordinating sign installation with AmeriCorps.

Waterloo and Moving update:

* Jess provided a cc of the proposed lease agreement with the Broeckers. Agreement was reviewed and minor changes suggested. Much appreciation is expressed to Jess for drafting this!
* Glenn will take canoes and canoe equipment to RCO.
* Picnic Tables: it was agreed that $20 was a fair price for the picnic tables, with 2 being donated to RCO. Glenn will deliver there with canoes. Amy and Jess will purchase remaining picnic tables.
* Glenn has inquired about he shed, and Nora made a motion that he should have the shed, given all his efforts with keeping Waterloo mowed, moving canoes, removing fence and concrete, etc. Emily seconded motion, motion passed.
* RCO has offered the upstairs of one of their buildings for activities, camps, events, etc. for rental for an as yet unknown fee. Dustin was hoping RCP would be interested in a seasonal rental. Members agree that an ass needed basis would be most appropriate, because we do not have a seasonal need.
* Waterloo move out day to take the bulk of our possessions to the Broecker’s is set for Nov 17th. Anyone who can make it please come and bring a vehicle that can move things. Details will come in an email closer to the day, but hold the day.

Insurance update: Nora spoke to O’Neil Hartman, and current agent. Coverage and premium will likely not change much, but when we are all moved, we will call to re-assess and give new address for equipment coverage.

Emily’s Husband will look into building a new sandbox computer. Amy will send all the computer info she can find to Emily.

Next meeting will be at the annual dinner, Nov. 3. December meeting set for the 6th at 6:30. At Building 22, 214 as usual.

Meeting Adjourned 8:32 PM