

## PAC Meeting Notes

January 19, 2021

1330 CT

- **Corps Foundation update: Greg Miller**
  - Evaluations of Enduring Service- 13 Nominations (reviewing those within the next month, hope to have winners by end of Feb.)
  - 2021 Advocacy Strategy- Call with HQ (purpose to start talking about 2021 strategy, successful in appropriations bill for getting Rec study language– hopefully leads to similar bill as Great American Outdoors Act that DOI and Ag have, boost up share from Transportation Act to USACE, language for WRDA 2022)
  - Corps Foundation Webinar – January 27 (discussing advocacy plans)
- **Virtual Prospect classes-**
  - **Next Class: Virtual, May 3-7, 2021**
    - Review Team training, lessons learned Jan 12 (Allen, Allison, Francis, Tennille, Scott, Phil, Sig) and Jan 13 (Heather, Miriam, Taylor S, Rob, Alana, Heath, Taylor B) (May class will be virtual, we have all now had training on Google Classroom, will definitely need some practice run-throughs before class is held live, good report on support from Huntsville with assistance on sitting-in on actual class, one downside is so many moving parts – 4 programs running simultaneously to make it work, Heather pointed out the “Instructor University” site which has example videos to help learn Google Classroom, Instructors will need to be running two monitors)
    - Update Bios if not done already (Miriam, Allen, Rob, Heath)
    - Each team member has been assigned topics to develop virtually and co-lead with another team member (Nov 24 email). Rob, new MVD and SPD members will assist in development and facilitation but will not serve as lead on topics for May class. (Need to have all files on the PAC team sharepoint (presentations, schedules, handouts, Bios, etc.) by the end of Feb., Heather to send out MIPR forms for instructors)
    - Need to focus on making each session as interactive as possible... breakouts, polling questions, videos, ‘live’ discussions with invited partners, recorded interviews with partners, etc. (for polls need to provide 4-5 answers, we can control the Q&A via chat, ask Huntsville if they can add the students preferred pronoun he/she/him/her to student roster, plan multiple training sessions in Mar/Apr for testing out exercises and so each instructor is comfortable and prepared for virtual class, email Heather dates that DO NOT work for training so she can schedule around the conflicts)
  - **Willamette Valley: Sep 13-16, 2021** - Instructors: TBD (will discuss on Feb call), Rob, Taylor B, Phil audit (all self funded)
    - Heather has set up room block
  - **NAP/Blue Marsh: Oct 25-28, 2021-** Instructors: TBD will discuss on Feb call
    - Heather has set up room block
  - **Allatoona/Carters: May 2-5, 2022-** Instructors: TBD, new NWD and LRD audit (self funded)
  - **NWS/Lake Washington Ship Canal: June/July 2022?** Instructors: TBD
- **Newsletter-** Scott/Rob- Articles due Feb 1. Possible topics? (Possibly use some of the language from the award applications to create articles)
  - HQ- CILP program, volunteer program updates, NRM Gateway focus page, Partnership/vol FY 20 totals, Handshake winners, EIP/VOY winners, new national youth conservation agreement, Prospect classes, Workamper news
  - NAP: Francis Walter borrow area handshake?

- NWO: Fort Peck/USFWS VC management MOA?
- SPK: Pine Flat Union Sportsman's Alliance pavilion MOU
- LRL: Nolin RFHP FY 20 project?
- SWD:
- MVD:
- SAD:
  
- **Handshake FY 21-**
  - Need final reports posted on Gateway (2013-2017)- HEATH
  - Need agreements for FY 20 to post on NRMG- HEATH
  - Rob will work with Heath to transition and take over management of the Handshake program in 2022. (Heath to be sending the reports out to the rest of the team for assistance in reaching out to the lake projects to finalize. Rob Jordan to be working with Heath to take on this responsibility for the PAC team.)
  
- **EIP/VOY Award** – Discussion on rankings/winner selection-Francis (VOY – everyone had Mr. Zueger as top candidate) (EiP – most had Raystown Lake as top selection but Rend Lake and Elk Creek were also very high scoring – after discussions it was determined that Rend Lake would be a better selection for the award)
  - \***Winners – VoY (J Zueger), EiP (Rend Lake)**
  - There was some confusion on total number of volunteer hours for consideration, Francis suggested clarifying by considering just hours for current FY. Also discussion on years of volunteer service and whether that should be a consideration.
    - Francis to draft new wording and send to Heather for changes to application and looking at changing the scoring system for both awards.
    - Francis draft winner memo and send to Heather
  
- **Corporate volunteer/matching programs-** need Heath's from Stacy. Heather will send out to partnership program/volunteer managers once complete (Stacy to finalize and send to Heather)
  
- **Webinars:**
  - USA: Jan 21, 1:00-2:00 eastern
  - Corps Foundation: Jan 27 1:00 – 2:00 eastern
  - Civilian Inmate Labor: Feb 4, 12:30 – 1:30 eastern
  - Heather highly encouraged participation by PAC team members.
  
- **PAC Charter:** Finalized and posted on NRMG
  
- **Contributions policy Update-** Heather (Update based on a scenario in which National Guard troops would work on USACE property, Heather working with OC to assist with updating policy)
  
- **Partnership/Vol fact sheet** – Heather sent to Jeff to approve and will forward to leadership
  
- **Youth Conservation Agreement** – should be signed 1 Feb
  
- **Lake Cunningham Partnership** - \$15 million investment (Heath updated group on the construction work going on and expansion of campground, phase 2 potentially \$40 million, 89-72 cost share project – USACE

oversight for compliance, technically not a “partnership” but authorized under section 408 and real estate authorities)

- **NEXT PAC CALL**- Feb 16-19 or 22-26 - Scott will send Doodle poll