

PAC Meeting NOTES

MAY 25, 2021

1330 ET

- **Corps Foundation update: Greg Miller-**
 - Board of Directors Recruitment- Announcement has been developed, looking for more diversity on the board. In past targeted retired USACE employees. Can the PAC do a search for retired USACE people from their district PAO? Any help would be appreciated.
 - Membership- List of NRM Retirees by District POC
 - Enduring Service Presentations – May 1st presented at Raytown Lake . Held in conjunction with annual clean up. Presentation was a success. Next presentation will be on May 28th at Millford Lake.
 - Advocacy- 30X30 Initiative – Preserve 30% of all Lands and water in the USA by 2030. This is an executive order signed by the President
 - Update on call with RGS -Positive call with possibility of good contacts

- **SWD replacement-** status update: David White has a deadline of May 31 for nominations. Nothing has been submitted yet. Hopefully have new person on the July call.

- **Virtual Prospect class**
 - Discussion on class-three ups/three downs
 - Overall positive comments.
 - In general people thought that the instructors did well
 - Some positive comments included that they didn't have to travel
 - Breakouts didn't work as well as we hoped
 - What works in the class room does not work as well in a virtual setting.
 - Communication between students had challenges
 - Some people would have liked the class to go longer (Interesting Comment)
 - Part of this is to accommodate people in different time zones.
 - Changes for next class- test questions, photos/examples
 - Having the prospect slides on the cloud made things handy and easier to see updates.
 - Evaluations
 - Heather sent these out for the PAC to see
 - Discussion on Huntsville's role and assistance
 - Will Huntsville be getting comments?
 - ACTION ITEM (Heather): Send a thank you to Huntsville for facilitator, Kayleen

- **FY 22 Classes-all three are on schedule in Purple Book**
- **NAP/Blue Marsh: Oct 25-28, 2021-** Instructors: Francis, Tennille, Heath, Heather (Scott, Taylor, Miriam, Sig self fund.)
 - 3 instructors paid by ULC: Francis, Tennille, Heath.
 - Self funded: Scott, Taylor S, Miriam, Sig (Allen?)
 - Taylor B, Phil, SWD new rep audit, self fund
 - Block of Rooms are available to make reservations
 - Scott- start developing field trip itinerary, partners, projects, maps of route

- Scott is working on logistics
 - Need to spend as much time as possible with boots on the ground and less time in a classroom for the field trip.
 - Need to select instructor topics (PAC members please send top 3 choices to Heather by JUNE)
 - Office/Meeting Room details
 - Scott is working on this.
- **Allatoona/Carters: May 2-5, 2022-** Instructors: TBD at Fall PAC meeting, Miriam self funded, new NWD and LRD audit (self funded)
- **NWS/Lake Washington Ship Canal: Aug 8-11, 2022** Instructors: TBD at Fall PAC meeting, Alana self funded
- **FY 23 classes:** Do we want to break off from the ULC on go out on our own? If staying with ULC, will need to select locations and dates NLT Oct 2021. Willamette will be one of FY 23 classes. Would like to offer 3 again. Ideas on locations?
 - We would lose funding for 3 instructors/travel
 - Would lose funding for field trips
 - It may be too early to tell if breaking off is good. May need to see what Huntsville has planned for virtual classes in the future.
 - Many agreed that if we are forced to go virtual, we may be better off breaking off.
 - If we did go outside of Huntsville, it may require more work from the PAC
 - There will be advantages and disadvantages
- **Newsletter-**
Start thinking about articles for Fall edition. **Deadline is AUG**
Need to come up with a volunteer co-editor (Taylor B?)
- **Handshake FY 21-**
 - Need replacement for Heath to manage the program. Phil Manhart
 - **FY 22 memo- Heath and Phil need to start working on Memo in May to send out in June, with 30 Sep deadline.**
 - Handshake 2022 Application Updates: Discussion in regards to Incentive points (Youth support and increased access) Heath will pull more info from the Reg to incorporate into this incentive piece. There is more demand for recreation access now than ever.
 - Will need to incorporate the \$5k from the CORPS Foundation bonus funds that can be applied for. Needs to be updated in the instruction and description of what it will be used for.
 - Will need to add CORPS Foundation \$5k funds to the power point presentation for viewers to understand. The funds will be provided directly from the Foundation in the form of cash or direct purchase of supplies. The CORPS Foundation will decide who gets this.
 - **W Kerr Scott** leftover handshake funds. Francis will follow up with Heath
 - Need final reports posted on Gateway (2013-2017)- ALL
 - Need agreements for FY 20 to post on NRMG- ALL
 - Include Heather on all final reports sent to Heath.

- **Partners Outdoors- June 1-2 virtual conference:** Registration is \$100. Does not require regular conference approval. Heather and Scott are planning to participate. Heather highly recommended others to sign up and attend.
- **NRM Assessment-** Any other changes for FY 21?
 - Heather has a list of 5 things from the APRIL call. Please have info to Heather by 15 JULY if you have anything.
- **MOUs-** need to revisit and start working on these again-Any Progress?
 - YMCA- Francis -No major updates.
 - Ruffed Grouse, Pheasants Forever, Boy Scouts- Scott is working on these
 - TU- Taylor
 - NWTF- SWD new rep
 - Girl Scouts- Phil
 - 4-H: Tennille/SWD
 - Outdoor Alliance: Heather waiting for draft
- **Webinars:**
 - Handshake webinars: Heath/Phil will discuss next week and try to schedule
 - NRM Assessment webinars: Allison/Taylor B need to schedule
 - EIP/VOY: Francis Sep 8 and Nov 3
- **Challenge Partnerships, Cooperating Association policy updates-** Received MSC comments. Heather sent consolidated comments/draft chapters to PAC for input in May.
 - Please provide comments to Heather
- **Volunteer policy Update-** Heather sent to MSC, Districts, PAC team for input with OC initial comments incorporated. Due June 25.
- **Contributions policy and CCSCMA Update-** Sent to MSC, District, PAC team for input by June 11 and June 14.
- **ISLT cards-** Use same concept for 2022 Volunteer Week? Tara Whitsel is willing to assist with design.
 - Looking for ways to recognize/highlight volunteers during National Volunteer week. Pick one from each division to include picture and bullets about their accomplishments.
- **NEXT PAC CALL-** June 14-18 or 21-25. Doodle poll to follow