

Minutes
Educational Advisory Committee (EAC)
16 September 2019 - 1:30 - 3:30 pm

In Attendance:

Ken Fisher, Forestry
Willie Lantz, Agriculture
Gary Shafer, Property Owner
Gary Aronhalt, Watershed Coordinator

Absent:

Sarah Duck, Marketing
Richard Matlick, Property Owner
Lauren McCann, Business
Greg Rouse, Recreation
Bob Sutton, Property Owner
Bruce Taliaferro, Education

Welcome /Opening Remarks:

Gary Aronhalt announced that **Lauren McCann**, **Greg Rouse**, **Bob Sutton**, and **Bruce Taliaferro** had reported that they would not be present for the meeting. **Debbie Carpenter** was present for the meeting on behalf of the Administrative Council.

UMD Intern Web-Conference:

The committee was unable to connect with the University of Maryland's conference call line. The committee suggested setting up a call with the interns prior to the next meeting and polling the committee volunteers for availability.

Administrative Council Update

Gary Aronhalt provided an update on the survey. **Ken Fisher** asked if the committee could receive updates prior to the meetings in the future. **Debbie Carpenter** and **Gary Aronhalt** provided feedback regarding the citizen science recommendations. **Debbie Carpenter** mentioned that lake temperature might attract visitors to the website. **Gary Aronhalt** asked the committee if the lake temperature was available online. **Gary Shafer** stated that he could not find it online. **Debbie** also stated that the geocaching idea was well-received by the Administrative Council. **Debbie** mentioned that she is working on a financing plan. The Committee asked about the status of the advertising initiatives. **Gary Aronhalt** said that the AIS message should be ending soon at the theater. The committee asked if there were plans to advertise ice safety in the winter. **Debbie Carpenter** stated that she would inquire from DNR. **Debbie** also stated that if the committee had suggestions for the spring to organize those now to allow for sufficient

planning time. Zebra mussel messages, in addition to AIS, were suggested as one topic for spring to fall advertising (February, March, and April). The committee suggested that a Sunday morning interview on the radio that addressed 3-4 topics might be good idea to look into. **Gary Shafer** stated that Garrett County Roads Department did a very good job of maintaining the roads this year and also suggested that the Administrative Council look at Broadford Lake. **Gary Shafer** said that sediment depth appears to have increased over time in the smaller impoundment on the opposite side of Broadford Road. **Gary Aronhalt** asked Willie Lantz if he could advertise the survey via newsletters to the agricultural community. **Willie** stated that the Extension newsletter would come out in early November and would reach approximately 600 people.

Meeting Conclusion:

Gary Aronhalt asked the committee for any questions. There were no questions.

The meeting was adjourned.

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