

Missouri State Envirothon Meeting
Wednesday May 1, 2013
Prairie Forks CA
Williamsburg, Mo.

Attendance: Heather Keith, NW Region; Andrea McKeown, NE Region; Peggy Lemons, MASWCD; Judy Stinson, DNR; DeDe Vest, NRCS; Theresa Dunlap, St. Louis Region; Paula Champion and Deneen Jenkins, SW Region.

The Committee met for a short meeting during “set-up day” for the state competition. Topic of discussion was hosting the national competition in 2015.

Peggy shared a response to a letter that she sent to Bill Wilson and Colleen Meredith, DNR, asking for information regarding DNR’s level of support should Missouri host the event. The letter stated that DNR will support with staffing, but is not prepared to commit funding, and that they may know if funding is available once we enter the competition year.

NRCS agreed to give DeDe’s time, but no word on other support. MDC has not yet moved the request through the proper channels.

Judy told the group that she was not confident that she would be available at the level she was when the state hosted some years ago. The group discussed locating another co-chair.

After much discussion, Paula made a motion that Missouri host the 2015 National Envirothon. Andrea second, and the motion was approved.

An email vote was conducted on April 15, 2013, with the topic being financial assistance to the Pembroke Hill team – winners of the National Envirothon in 2012 – to help with a trip to Washington DC to represent the Envirothon at the Annual National Science Fair. Paula made a motion to send \$400 to Pembroke Hill to help with expenses to attend the 3rd Annual National Science Fair at the White House on April 22nd; Theresa second and the motion was approved.

The next meeting will be June 25, at the Cole County SWCD office.

Paula made a motion to adjourn, Theresa second and meeting adjourned.