

Missouri State Envirothon Meeting
Tuesday, June 25, 2013
Cole County USDA Service Center
Jefferson City MO

Attendance: Heather Keith, NW Region; Andrea McKeown and Lena Sharp, NE Region; Peggy Lemons, MASWCD; Judy Stinson, DNR; DeDe Vest, NRCS; Theresa Dunlap, St. Louis Region; Paula Champion, SW Region; Bruce Longan, Central Region and Dave Fry, KC Region.

The meeting began at 10:00 am in the conference room of the Cole County Service Center, with a discussion of National Envirothon issues and the details of hosting the 2015 competition. Discussion was held on shortening the duration of the competition, whether or not to have the sequester day, and whether or not to release the oral question early. Committee also discussed financial concerns of the national program. Peggy then went to take part in a conference call with the National Envirothon committee.

2015 competition – Committee continued to discuss details in hosting the event.

Minutes - There is one correction to the minutes of May 1, 2013. Dave Fry was in attendance on that day but was not listed. Paula made a motion to approve the minutes with that one correction. Heather second and motion was approved

Treasurer's Report – Corrections were made on pg. 4: Item 1715 on 3/4/13 should be "donation", not "dues". Item 1696 on 6/4/13 should be "breakfast", not "lunch". Item 1719 in the amount of \$1,200 should be "lunch expense". Item 1708 on 11/7/12 should be for "Missouri Envirothon website host". On pg. 5, item 1717 on 4/16/13 should be for "DC Science Fair at the White House", and 1721 on 5/29/13 should be for "registration". Item 1722 on 6/14/13 in the amount of \$40 is for "shuttle".

On pg. 1 of "Account Transactions – Missouri Envirothon Regular", Item 1708 needs to be changed to "Website Host"; pg. 2 item 1715 changed to "donation" not "dues", and pg. 3 item 1717 is "DC trip" and 1721 is for "registration".

Committee will ask Deneen about the bank service charges.

Paula made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report with changes and questions to Deneen. Lena second and motion was approved.

Deneen has asked the committee to look for another treasurer. She no longer can give the position the time it needs, partly because she is only working 3 days a week and has all other office/manager duties to perform in her district. Peggy said she would put discussion of a new treasurer on the agenda for next time. (After the meeting, Audrey Rayl volunteered to take on the position of treasurer)

Grants – Regions need to make application for grants by July 1.

Plaques – Committee decided that the state will purchase the plaques again this year, up to \$60 per region. Judy is to order the plaques. Paula made a motion to have state

purchase plaques not to exceed \$60 per region. Heather second and motion was approved.

All regions were reminded to fill out the 2013 State Competition survey and send to Peggy as soon as possible.

2013 Competition – Judy provided a hand-out. Over-all the event was successful with no appeals and lots of great helpers.

Regions are asked to hand out the rules to those teams that are going to state. Also make sure they have all the forms and directions. Some teams came without signed releases.

The committee is still looking for a test-writing co-chair. Bring names to next meeting.

Judy reported that the fundraising efforts have seen results. As of June 25, the fundraising committee has received around \$9,900.

North American Quilt Raffle – A drawing will be held Aug. 7 for a quilt made with Envirothon logos from various states. Each region is to try to sell \$20 worth of tickets to help with raising funds for the national program. Send ticket and money to Peggy by July 29.

2013 North American Competition – Discussed rental car. Paula made a motion to approve \$514 for the car, Bruce second and motion was approved. Team shirts – Theresa made a motion to approve the purchase of up to 8 shirts at \$23.76 each, Dave second and motion was approved.

Any other trade items are to be mailed

There was no other business.

The next meeting is Aug. 20, 2013 at the Cole USDA Service Center in Jefferson City.

Theresa made a motion to adjourn. Andrea second and meeting adjourned.