

Minutes
Missouri Envirothon Meeting
Sunday, November 27, 2005
Tan-Tar-A Resort—Osage Beach
7:00 p.m.

Those in **attendance** included: Travis Dinsdale (NW Region), Bill Bohnert (KC Region), Kathryn Braden (SW Region), Peggy Lemons (Chair), Judy Stinson (Vice Chair), Carol Barnes (SE Region), Tina Hovendick (Central Region), Liz Brown (Advisor) and David Dix (MASWCD)

Additional Items to the Agenda would be the Election of officers, which according to the by-laws should be Bi-Annual. Election was added to the agenda just prior to 8. Other Business

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Peggy Lemons at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of the minutes from the last meeting was made. Kathryn made the motion and Carol 2nd. Motion was unanimous.

Carol Hubbard, Treasurer, was unable to attend but had provided handouts to Peggy for review and discussion of the **Treasurers Report**. For clarification, the Canon Missouri Envirothon account was conducted through the Missouri Envirothon account. All income and disbursements have been finalized with Canon and all other sources which put Missouri \$80,000, to the good. Canon had paid for items not expected and therefore made for a wonderful surprise. Kathryn made a motion and Bill seconded to approve the treasurers report as presented. Motion was unanimous.

Discussion was then held on the dollar amount to pass on to the next Canon Envirothon host Manitoba. Discussion was also held regarding the possibility of sending an amount to New York, who is slated to host the year following Manitoba. An example of \$3000 to Manitoba and \$1500 to New York was discussed. Tina made a motion to up the dollar amounts to \$5000 to Manitoba and \$2500 to New York. It was mentioned that the two ladies from New York were there in the Missouri room assisting where needed from the very beginning. These ladies were never in the way and helped to the extreme. Their interest in the program and gaining knowledge for the time they will be hosting was quite apparent, not to mention very helpful to the Missouri committee. Judy seconded the motion. A call was made for discussion on the motion. Liz asked to amend the motion to \$5000 to Manitoba and \$1500 to New York. A vote was called on the amended motion of the Missouri Committee sending \$5000 to Manitoba and \$1500 to New York. Votes were all yes except for two opposed by Tina Hovendick and Judy Stinson. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held on the use of some of the extra funds received by Missouri through the Canon Envirothon. Increase exposure and funding for the State Program. An updated recruitment video to help regionally and asking the regions what can be done to help them financially.

Revisions to the **By-Laws of the Missouri Envirothon** were discussed and Carol made a motion to accept and Kathryn seconded. Motion was unanimous. Revisions attached.

Revisions to the **Rules of the Missouri Envirothon** were discussed and Kathryn made a motion to accept and David seconded. Motion was unanimous. Revisions attached.

Discussion of the **Diversity Grant** available through Canon was presented again with an agreement that we would leave things as is.

Reports on 2006 Regional Envirothon Competition. Kathryn started out with her report on the fall competition of the Southwest Region. They have 30 minute rotations. She reported that she would be resigning from the Chairman position this May.

Due to time, we jumped to the **Election** part of the agenda, as some of the committee needed to leave. Motion was made by Kathryn to elect Peggy to the position as Chair, seconded by Carol. Motion was unanimous. Motion was made by Kathryn and seconded by Carol to elect Judy as the Vice Chair. Motion was unanimous. Motion was made by Kathryn and seconded by Carol Barnes to elect Carol Hubbard as the Secretary/Treasurer. Motion was unanimous.

Motion was made by Kathryn and seconded by Carol to place Judy as the Board Member to the Canon Envirothon and Peggy as the alternate. Motion carried.

We resumed reports on the **2006 Regional Envirothon Competitions.** Travis covered the fall competition for the NW region. They had 5 teams which were down from 8. They are looking for new recruitment measures and evaluations showed teacher concerns regarding the number of schools being presented. There was discussion of re-joining the NW region with the KC region due to the declining number of teams and volunteers.

Reports were then given by those present in other regions regarding their upcoming events in the spring.

Peggy mentioned that she would be getting a list of all the **resource materials** for advisors and students and would distribute these to the regions. Possibly some of these materials and additional resource trunks may be purchased with some of the additional funds that Missouri has received from the Canon Envirothon.

CD's from the Canon Competition were handed out to each of the regions.

Discussion was also held regarding more input from District Employees to assist the State Committee and planning of the State Events.

2006 State Competition. This will be held at the Rickman Center on the south edge of Jeff City. There are cabins available for overnight stay. DeDe will be in charge of the tests.

Motion was made by Bill and seconded by Kathryn to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion was unanimous.

Submitted by Tina Hovendick
"Acting" Secretary