

**Missouri Envirothon
Minutes
March 27, 2002
Macon, MO**

Submitted by Lorna Domke

In attendance: Judy Stinson, Lorna Domke, Carol Hubbard, Pat Wohler, Mary Burt, Lena Sharp, Bill Bohnert, Scott Ryan

1. No minutes to approve
2. Carol presented budget for '02 state contest
 - Judy mentioned Bass Pro will increase contribution to \$3000 this year
 - Still expected some funding form Forestry and Wildlife societies for T-shirts but
 - Funds form SWCS, Wild Turkey Fed., and AFS are in
 - DNR Soil & Water will pay for the lunch
 - Mary suggested we try Homebuilder Associations for funds in the future
 - Judy said cash awards will probably be \$2150 instead of \$3000 and that we may pay directly for the tickets for the team
 - They need to confirm by tomorrow if go with tickets on Continental to Boston, but
 - Judy/Peggy will look at American and Southwest into Hartford (BDL) for rates—possibly direct, but also closer to Amherst.

Revised budget overall estimate: \$7783 expense, \$765 income

3. Regionals
 - a. Judy reported SE was first event – 3 teams; cold. Mary suggested that when there only two or three teams competing at this level, we consider setting a minimum score limit. The three at the SE knew they were all going to state and didn't seem to care that the scores may be low. Judy said we need to review that later this year.
 - b. St. Louis – 9 teams signed up. Will be held on April 25th. Three or four of the teams are returning teams. They're getting lots of help from St. Charles County. Nancy Snider of MDC did a wonderful training session, got lots positive feedback.
 - c. NE – 4 teams, April 4. Will be held at Atlanta Conservation Area. 3 returning teams, 1 new team
Carol asked if Elaine and Sarah were coming to help; Judy will check.
 - d. KC – April 22 – 10 schools with at least 11 teams and no more than 18 teams. They'll hold a planning meeting April 3.
Bill asked if Elaine was coming to help at KC contest. They hope so. Judy will check when she checks on NE
 - e. NW – April 24; 13 teams

- f. SW – 12 teams. Judy said Wilson Creek Battlefield staff and Martin MacDonald of Bass Pro will be attending to scope it out for national contest in Springfield.
 - g. Central – 8 or 9 teams – held near Booneville at Brady Show grounds?
4. 2002 State Oral Problem – Aaron Jeffries is working on it. He did the regional question. The state oral question will be posted a week before state competition (on April 25). Judy said we'll double-check to make sure that the question clarifies for the kids who the audience is.
5. Items for State Competition
- a.1. Rosemarie has workers list (Judy read it). Judy will show notes to her.
Registration starts at 7 a.m. Judy will check on places to stay the night before and email the info to people.
 - a.2. Name Tags – Mary B. will do them
 - b. Set-up and Worker Training – We'll do it again first thing. Probably 7 a.m.
Plan to be at the camp at 2 p.m. the day before to set up for the event.
 - c.
 - 1. Will have trash bags with team numbers again at registration for posters, etc.
 - 2. T-shirts - waiting for final \$
 - 3. Buddy signs are done
 - 4. Water bottles – We'll use up what we still have.
 - 5. Snacks, Coffee, Hot chocolate and cups – Granola bars in bags for snacks
 - 6. coffee pots – Have 1, Mary will bring one 30 c. pot too
 - 7. Extension cords – Judy etc. will bring
 - 8. Ice
 - d.
 - 1 & 2 – Tables and Chairs – Judy will see what Park has. Will need some!
 - 3. Port-a-pots ordered
 - 4. Banners – Judy has
 - 5. Clipboards/pencils – Judy/Peggy have
 - 6. Canopies - have
 - 7. & 8. Sunscreen & bugspray – Will stick some in each tub.
 - 9. Water Jugs and cups – Mary will bring one extra orange jug, Lorna will try to bring 3 large ones, Bill will bring one, Judy has one (Lorna email if can't bring 3)
 - 10. Stop watches – Have them
 - 11. Walkie –talkies – Judy will check
 - 12. Test and Materials – Judy will check to make sure all is there
Need Biltmore sticks – Judy will ask Doug Wallace if he can bring them
Maybe need airhorn? Mary will bring one. Also discussed need for a
Microphone/speaker system – who has one?
 - e. Orals - Nicki gone; send questions to Sarah? By when?
 - 1. Judges all set.

2. Judging Sheets – using same as at regionals, but change the time lengths for orals (7/3 at regionals; 10 min. talk/ 5 min. Q&A state)
 3. Camcorders & tapes – Judy will bring 6-8 tapes. DNR will bring cameras/VCR, but Bill will bring an extra one too.
- f. Sodas and lunch – Judy has sodas, about 25 twelve packs. Lunch will be taken care of.

g. Scoring

1. Worksheet on disc, on laptop
2. Sarah bringing laptop, DNR bring theirs
3. Scott bringing Answer keys

h. Awards

1. Will do certificates and awards.
2. Medals again too. Lorna get pins for awards for top station scores team from MDC as last year. (6 sets x 5 each) (Invasive species is the issue topic)
3. Plaques
4. Award rules – May just pay direct for airfare
5. National packet – Peggy will do
6. Student activities before awards – Just bring some basketballs, let them do what they want and relax while scoring finalized.
7. Teachers, etc. – Show videos: National Envirothon (Judy has); Lorna bring new Tallgrass Prairie video and Lewis and Clark videos. Don't plan on special event for them in the morning.
8. Evaluation Form – Change the last question to more general one to get more comments and not limit the response; Ask if there should be a.m. teacher activities; student activity while we score?
Peggy/Judy will email that form in a few days.

Other materials – need 4 wheeler and maybe PA system?

Judy is bringing easels;

Judy will check to see if Norm is coming again to take photos;

Judy will bring green station tubs

9. 2002 National Competition – Who is going? Late July, early Aug.- Mass.
2003 – Maryland
2004 – West Virginia (especially need to plan on lots of us attending that one to promo our 2005 event)

10. Don't plan to meet before state contest – just email