

**Nebraska Alliance for Conservation and Environment Education (NACEE)
Board Meeting**

Wednesday, May 13, 2020
3 pm (CST)

<https://zoom.us/j/598063375>

Zoom ID: 598 063 375

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AGENDA

3:00 pm Welcome and Attendance

- In attendance: Hannah Rennard-Ganley, Matt Jones , Monica Macoubrie, Jamie Kelley, Russanne Hoff, Amanda Fillipi, Sarah Roberts, Stephanie Purcell
- Not in attendance Gus Von Roenn, Amber Schiltz, Pam Eby, Carrie Nunez

- Board members shared update on work and life during Covid

Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

- Hannah motioned to accept, Russanne 2nd minutes approved

Treasurer Report

Current Balance at Wahoo State Bank: \$5,832.49

Current Balance at Pay Pal: \$29.04

Total: \$5861.53

Income: \$212.22

Expenses: \$427

- Monica to check on dropping Zoom renewal, board members will use their work zoom accounts to host future meetings.
- Jamie renew PO Box, NAAEE membership renewal in June

Unprecedented Times – COVID-19

Committee Reports

Strategic Planning (Russanne, Matt, Gus)

- Tracking of action items and goals
- Matt and Russanne, did not meet, but have will meet on May 21st, to work on strategic plan progress and work to revise the layout to better track accomplishments. We look at revisions to the strategic plan at the annual meeting in January. The goal is to work with work with PEEPS in meeting our strategic plan goals.

Membership (Hannah, Pam, Amanda)

- Recruitment, new member information, renewals
- One new member, NACEE stickers printed

- The committee drafted recruitment email that Hannah will send to board members and board members would send to their list of peers. Grassroots spreading of networking, to build membership
- All board members will Look at Lindsay's produced contact list on the google drive to update contacts, that can be sent membership recruitment message.

Communications (Monica, Stephanie, Jamie)

- Social media, Listserve, newsletter, website
- Jamie has done a great job posting on social media Whoop Whoop!
- Website: Jamie has updated board members, Jamie meeting notes posted, need to fix dead links or add new ones.
- Discussed email service, check for phishing attempts,
- Board decided to take email links of board members off to protect phishing redirect to organization pages, and send edit suggestions to Jamie
- Board members to review the website and send Jamie any updates, links that no longer work, suggestions for improvements, etc.

Programs and Conferences (Sarah, Amber, Hannah, Jamie)

- Networking events, workshops, webinars, etc.
- Committee met and discussed workshop offerings, we (naccee board) are already doing cool things, use NACEE name for sponsorships. I.E. NACEE sponsor snacks, materials etc. in return for 5-minute spiel on NACEE recruitment. Could be done with Virtual class, NACEE could provide prize pack/quiz at end something fun or tangible to be sent out to participants
- Amanda, Autism Online resources for EE educators workshop.
- Committee meeting to plan meeting on suggestions for program ideas and NACEE sponsored giveaways.

Nominating / Elections (Amanda (Chair), Matt, Pam)

- Committee did not meet but before August meeting will draft board recruitment message for board members to send to their peers in preparation for elections in the fall.

Finance (Fundraising) – currently not active

- As COVID changes adapt to fundraising when appropriate

Old Business

Rack cards reprint and/or redesign

- NACEE to print \$150 of Rack cards

Stickers

- Hannah will send out when possible

Nonprofit Association of the Midlands

- Discuss more and make decision to join or not at August meeting

New Business

Leadership Clinic and Org Assessment

NACEE has been invited to be a part of a multi-state Capacity Building grant for EE organizations.

- Five state – Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, Wyoming and Nebraska – the PEEPs (Plains Environmental Education Professionals/Partnership)
- We are part of this 5 state EE capacity building grant. Grant is from The Pisces Foundation and was received by Kansas Alliance for Conservation and Environment Education.
- Goal is to build capacity within our state’s EE org as well as a collaborative within our 5 state region
- As part of this grant we will:
 - o Complete the organizational capacity assessment tool. (See link below.) Outcomes of the assessment will be utilized to build the future trainings and workshops for the 5 state EE teams.
 - o Participate in the Leadership Clinic (postponed to spring 2021) – however there may be online/zoom training/workshops this fall for board/staff of the five state group.
 - o Consultants will be call upon based on outcome of organizational capacity assessment. (The grant provides the funds to bring in consultants for the leadership clinic or other trainings/workshops.)
 - o Funding is provide for up to 4 NACEE members to attend the Leadership Clinic as well as a stipend for our organization to use as we see fit in efforts to build capacity or grow the organization.

The project goal: To build capacity for the advancement of environmental literacy in the Central States EE organizations through organizational and leadership development, strategic work plans for the state and regional level and establishment of an ongoing leadership team to lead implementation, monitoring, data collection, fund development and communication for the Central States region.

It is important that we provide our feedback so that trainings and workshops will meet our needs and will be of benefit to NACEE. Please take some time to complete this Organizational Assessment Tool by May 22, <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PlainsEEPartnership>

Board members to complete assessment by 22nd of May

Next meeting

10:30 AM (CT), August 6 | Host: Pam Eby/Omaha Zoo