

WEEB Education Committee Meeting

May 23, 2007

MINUTES

(In attendance: Cheryl Todea, Pat Arndt, Kim Lemberger, Jeremy Solin, Randy Champeau, Carrie Morgan)

Kim Lemberger agreed to chair this committee. Carrie Morgan offered to take notes at this meeting and suggested that the role of secretary rotate.

This committee is charged with looking at the WEEB goals III, IV, and V which deal with supporting and enhancing environmental education in formal (preK-12); non-formal; and higher education. Question was posed, "How can we come together to meet common goals?" (cooperation and accountability)

After discussion of the status of environmental education in the K-12, formal, and nonformal sectors, the committee came up with two objectives:

Assist in the development of a network for non-formal educators through WAEE.

- Randy will ask WAEE to meet with us at the Midwest EE Conference (if possible) to discuss WAEE's interest in helping foster networking for nonformal educators.

Use the Green & Healthy Schools program to provide a framework for bringing environmental education into schools.

- Education committee will bring together a steering committee to look at the program as it exists and discuss how to use it as a model for environmental education in schools. G&HS could be the umbrella under which we bring the variety of existing env. educ. programs into schools (e.g., LEAF, KEEP, WILD, PLT, WET, nature center programs, etc.) Ginny can help with logistics in setting up meeting.

Carrie will check on timeline for filling position prior to inviting people to be on steering committee. Once that is on track, a steering committee will be convened. Suggestions for people to attend along with the WEEB education committee: KEEP rep, Deb McCrea, Larry Mancl, Maggie from Trees, Lis Kane, Kathe Conn, Crystal Campbell.

Assignments for contacting:

Randy will contact KEEP rep. and Deb McCrea

Carrie will contact Lis Kane, Kathe Conn, Crystal Campbell

Pat will contact Larry Mancl

The group agreed to convene the G&HS meeting before January.