

2022 0323 MACD Education Committee Meeting Agenda

10 am

Held via Zoom conferencing

Committee Members: Elisha Dempsey, Melissa Downing, Tony Barone, Rick Van Dyken, Bill Naegeli, Bob Petermann, Pam Liggett, Greg Jergeson

Committee Members in attendance: Pam Liggett, Elisha Dempsey

Others in attendance: Robbie Savelkoul, Kay Webb, Veronica Grigaltchik, LaRinda Spencer, Renee Nelson, Dona Stafford, Makayla Ingman, Julie Ralston, Diane Black, Jeff Ryan, Bobbi Vannattan, Jeff Torano, Tahnee Benson, and Chris Evans.

Call to order–The meeting was called to order by Elisha Dempsey at 10:04 am.

Approval of meeting notes–Motion by Pam Liggett to approve the meeting notes.

Scholarships–Chris Evans updated the group that the scholarship is now being put up on the student exchange with OPI, and Greg Jergeson was supposed to work on the university level announcements.

Poster Contest–Discussion about the poster contest and Stewardship week. Aubrey Evans told Kay Webb the information will be updated soon. When it is, it will go out in an email to the CD Employees in the state and we will ask Eric to put it in the 2 newsletters.

Resolutions–at a standstill for the moment.

Updates from:

DNRC–Veronica Grigaltchik was gave a DNRC update. They're still working on strategic planning so if people have requests for training etc. let them know.

April 8 is a due date for a number of grants, April 9 is the due date for CDA grants. There are other grants available for CDs, including multiple CDs, more information will be coming out on that soon.

MACD–Elisha Dempsey asked about how the proposal with the strategic plan and changes to committees were received. Jeff Ryan had an update on the EQC meetings at the Capital yesterday, the committee dealing with the CD funding bill. It went really well, Rebecca Boslough and Jim Simpson both gave good presentation. There was a push from some of the council members to go after the marijuana funds. He thinks there's no question that the legislators recognize a need for CD funding, it's just a matter of where that money will come from. Elisha Dempsey said that FWP is accepting apps for someone knowledgeable about conservation to sit on the state committee.

MCDEO–Evans gave a brief update as to the outreach that CD Area Representatives are doing and the plans for QuickBooks training at the Spring Board meeting, as well as other financial training.

CDOWG–RFP for marketing and outreach has been sent out.

Education Funding update–MACD has contracted with Shannon Stober to do a 5 part series on Leadership training. There will be a follow up in-person session at Convention.

Jeff Ryan mentioned the upcoming Stream Permitting workshop that L& C will be hosting in May. Information will be sent out on that soon.

Elisha Dempsey asked about district's tree programs. There are a variety of nurseries including Lincoln Oaks, Big Sioux, Schumaker, Towner and the State Nursery. Bobbi said they have a section on their website for ordering from the first 4 of those nurseries. Ordering is typically fall/winter.

Elisha said that in April, there is Earth Day 22, Arbor Day 29th, Envirothon the 24–26th. It would be nice if there would be an article or outreach on that and an article for District Dispatch on tree programs timing–available tree planters, fabric and layers, mulcher.

Meeting adjourned at 11:14 am.