

Marys River Watershed Council
Education & Outreach Committee
MINUTES

March 8, 2006 12:00 – SWCD Conference Room

Present: Jana Seeliger, Committee Chair

Karen Fleck Harding-E&O Coordinator, Mark Taratoot, Tom Caran, Betsy Richardson

1. **E&O Coordinator Report** – Karen reviewed the February report with the Committee members

2. **MRWC Summer Celebration:** scheduled for Saturday, June 24, 2006
Theme: “History, Art & Culture – Our Connections to the Watershed”
It’s been suggested that we have an “open-mike” time for storytelling about the watershed.
Silent Auction: Jana provided information and a list of possible donors and additional suggestions were added to the list.
 - ★ Jana will email the donor list to committee members to choose who they will contact.
 - ★ Jana & Karen will prepare a complete packet of information for reference in making those contacts. (receipts, letter, MRWC accomplishments, flyer, etc)**Benton County Cultural Coalition** –Awarded the MRWC \$500 for artist stipends and supplies for the summer celebration.
T-Shirts:
 - ★ Mark will check on best prices to have a simple MRWC logo printed with room for a fish print to be done as part of an artist mini-workshop.**Publicity:** We need to get sponsors and feature entertainment/artists solidified soon to be able to release the advertising/poster.
 - ★ Karen will contact Wild Hog in the Woods.
 - ★ Sandra & Janine need to identify sponsors by April 1st
 - ★ Karen will finalize poster by April 15th
 - ★ Karen will get artist commitments by March 31st**Tour:** Tom Caran offered to make a map for Dave B to use in his tour if he is interested.
 - ★ Sandra will inquire with Dave.**Ticket Sales:**
 - ★ Sandra will contact Grass Roots to see if they will sell tickets again as part of their sponsorship.

3. **Newsletter Articles:** Mark wrote an article for SWCD’s newsletter about the early history of the MRWC. Advertising for the invasives workshop is being sent to many newsletters- will be in next publication of SWCD & OSU Extension.
 - ★ Janine has volunteered to write an article for a future issue of the SWCD newsletter about “where the MRWC is heading – the future”

4. **Invasives Workshop:** Scheduled for April 29. Currently identifying the field site. Mark suggested looking at the City natural areas, Corvallis Watershed, & Jackson-

Frazier. SWCD will handle registration and mailing flyers. Any carryover funds will be held by the MRWC for future workshops.

5. Cardwell Hills Project: currently 20 landowners participating.

Next step: Development of management plans – inventories of species and opportunities and identification of landowner objectives.

6. Brochure:

Suggestions:

- information about the watershed on the front cover
- background pictures and habitat information
- use & cite post-consumer recycled paper
- use second color: red or red+blue
- printing bids from Cascade Printing, SP&E Reprographics and Hendersons
- need to finalize it before the summer celebration
- ★ Tom will draft a map of the watershed for the brochure

Next Meeting:

April 12, 2006 at noon –SWCD Office– 305 SW C Ave--Corvallis

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"History, Art & Culture – Our Connections To the Watershed"			
Planning Committees	Leader:	Volunteers needed:	Ideas/Resources
Tyee Liason - site logistics	Sandra - Karen		
Cultural program - artists, supplies, logistics	Karen - Erika		for consistency's sake: Send suggestions to Karen to make contacts with artist - consider allowing artists to sell wares w/portion to MRWC. - ask for contributions for auction
Publicity - flyers, radio, newspaper, mail, email	Karen - Margie Buchanan?		Marcia Sinclair might be helpful - send announcement to SWCD for newsletter
Silent Auction - donations, setup/mgmt	Jana, Sandra, Mark	All committee help-send ideas for donors to Jana, who will assign contacts for each of us	Patagonia, REI, Michael Gibbons, Pegasus - Note value of item, oral/silent/raffle combo, multiple silent auction closing times Karen will draft list of MRWC projects to promote in our solicitations.
Conservation tour - 2 tours	Dave Buchanan	Tom Caran - map?	Sandra will check with Dave to see if he wants a map created
Event sponsors-corporate, etc	Janine - Sandra		
Volunteer recruitment/management	Erika Draft?		Tracy Noel? Sandra check
Food booth - INTABA'S	Karen		Confirmed 2-300 50% Veg
Music entertainment	Amy		Wild Hog in the Woods, John Bliss & the X-tet (John not available, Erika will check with the X-tets about doing background music for an hour or two)
T-Shirts/tote bags	Janine, Mark, Sandra		Revisit in April
Tickets			Sandra will send file from last year and will check with Grass Roots about selling tickets.
Kids Play Space			Mark will check with Avery House
Canopies			
Volunteers - Event Day	(2) 2-hour shifts/ea	Number needed	
Artist Assistants		?	
Set up	9:00am-10:00am	6	
Bridge/Tickets	9:45am-5:00pm	8	
Parking	9:45am-5:00pm	6	
Hosts/Security	9:45am-5:00pm	8	
Clean up	5:00pm-complete	6	
Floater (help out where ever needed)		3	
Total Needed		20+	

