



Minutes of the Blanchard River Watershed Partnership

Annual Planning and Board of Directors Meeting

1-17-19, Findlay, OH Hancock County Engineers Building 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

J. McCleary presiding, B. Connour recording.

Present: D. Croy, L. Sandhu, B. Antibus, B. Connour, T. Watson, C. Kirchner, J. Selhorst, M. Reed, E. Reynolds, -A. Downing, B. Doyle, J. Haselman, J. McCleary, P. Martin, T. Macke

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by J. McCleary.

- J. McCleary presented the BRWP Non-discrimination Statement to the board. E. Reynolds motioned to approve it, D. Croy seconded, and it passed unanimously.
 - J. McCleary mentioned that all members of the board who are not members of corporations or sponsors need to pay their memberships by the February meeting.
 - All board members also signed the board member waiver and volunteer forms.

- **BRWP financial update**
 - T. Macke presented a treasurer's report and went through it with the group.
 - E. Reynolds mentioned to approve the report, S. Myers seconded, and it passed unanimously.
 - T. Macke presented the 2019 budget and went through it with the group.
 - E. Reynolds asked if we still want to do the county fairs. After discussion it was decided to still do Putnam and Hancock counties.
 - D. Croy motioned to approve the budget, B. Doyle seconded, and it passed unanimously.

- **Grants-Active, Potential, and Project Proposals**
 - L. Sandhu presented a handout on funding and grant opportunities.
 - L. Sandhu went through the handout with the group and each item was discussed.
 - E. Reynolds motioned to have L. Sandhu apply for a Great Lakes Basin Grant. B. Doyle seconded and it passed unanimously.
 - P. Martin went through the remaining grants with the board.
 - It was stated that Putnam County Soil and Water is willing to sponsor a rain barrel.
 - It was mentioned that DuWayne Stateler wants to sponsor one for McComb.
 - B. Doyle motioned to approve a contract with P. Martin as written. Michael Reed seconded, and it passed unanimously.



- **Fundraising**
 - J. McCleary and L. Sandhu both spoke.
 - J. McCleary talked about some fundraising training she had and presented handout to go through with the group.
 - The board did some group activities and answered some questions regarding fundraising.
 - It was mentioned that we need to distribute membership lists to the board.

- **BRWP Strategic Plan**
 - B. Doyle talked about and went through the Strategic Plan.
 - Ian.
 - All the parts of the plan were discussed and where we are with each.
 - L. Sandhu followed up on this with her ideas.

- **Committees**
 - J. McCleary asked if the CAC should be combined with the advocacy committee. After discussion the consensus was yes.
 - Membership Committee discussed how we all need to work on membership.
 - The Metrics Committee needs to schedule a meeting and work on the data we have.
 - The Board Governance Committee needed a new chair. Elaine Reynolds agreed to chair the committee.
 - The Education and Outreach Committee may need to narrow their focus. A chair is needed for this committee.
 - E. Reynolds said that she has spoken with someone on the Findlay Artwalk committee about having the Rain Barrel contest at the Artwalk.
 - After discussion it was agreed to do so.
 - B. Connour motioned to pay E. Reynolds \$25 an hour for time she has spent mapping on grant funded NPS plans. C. Kirchner seconded and it passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58pm.

Recorded and submitted by Bob Connour II, secretary