

# PACD Education and Outreach Committee Meeting Held Virtually January 11, 2022 | 10:00-11:00 a.m.

#### **MINUTES**

### Committee Chair Laura Anderson

Committee Members in Attendance: Joan McCarty, Jason Singer, Kelly Stagen, Ted Veresink, Kristen Currier, Michael McKelvey, Nathan Pritchard, Laura Anderson.

Guests in Attendance: Kathleen Banski, Lauren Cheran, Denise Coleman, Nicholas DiPaolo, Lori Glace, Shane Kleiner, Linda Mackey, Mindy Musser, Willie Null, Tabby Shah, Brenda Shambaugh, Chris Snyder, Shirley Snyder, Shannon Wehinger (notetaker), Nick Yeagy.

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. There was a quorum.

# **Welcome and Introductions** (Chairperson)

Chair Laura Anderson welcomed everyone to the meeting including new members, Jason Singer from Allegheny, Kristen Currier from Erie, and Michael McKelvy from York and thanked those staying on the committee.

# **Approval of July 2021 Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting on July 14, 2021 were provided to members for review.

It was moved by Ted Veresink and seconded by Kelly Stagen to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on July 14, 2021. Motion carried.

## **PACD Updates**

PACD continues to create public service announcements (PSAs). The last one was on car maintenance. The new one in progress in on de-icing.

Social media messages are also being created each month for conservation district use. Around mid-month of the month prior, PACD updates a social media calendar and



creates images for Facebook and Instagram. This resource is available for districts to use as they see fit.

PACD is currently offering mini-grants. The CREP mini-grant program offers \$3,000 per project. The deadline to apply is February 25, 2021. The Nonpoint Source Pollution Prevention Mini-grant Program is for projects up to \$2,000 for adult education. The deadline to apply is January 28, 2021. Lastly, the multi-functional buffer sub-grant program has funds available to install buffers. Applications are accepted on-going and we just got more funds for this program to continue.

### Rain to Drain, Slow the Flow

Lori Glace (Cumberland) spoke about the district's DEP 2020 Environmental Education grant called "Rain to Drain, Slow the Flow." Her program is adapted from the Penn State curriculum. (<a href="https://extension.psu.edu/rain-to-drain-slow-the-flow-curriculum">https://extension.psu.edu/rain-to-drain-slow-the-flow-curriculum</a>). The program includes rain to drain hands-on stormwater kits which Lori demonstrated for the committee. Lori also showed the stream table that she uses for education programs.

### **Enviro Camp**

Mindy Musser (Juniata) and Lauren Cheran (Snyder) spoke about their Enviro Camp program which was funded in part by a 2021 DEP Environmental Education grant. They co-hosted the camp in August 2021. It was open to first to fourth graders. They had an average of 45 kids participate each evening. Mindy and Lauren went through each day's theme and the stations they included. They will hold another camp in June 2022.

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

## Adjourn

It was moved by Kelly Stagen and seconded by Jason Singer to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

