

PACD Education and Outreach Committee Meeting Held Virtually January 14, 2025 | 10:00-11:00 a.m.

MINUTES

Committee Chair Laura Anderson

Committee Members in Attendance: Laura Anderson, Kristen Currier, Dominic Degidio, Laura Hopek, Joan McCarty, Jen Novak, Kelly Stagen

Guests in Attendance: Tara Burnham, Kelly Davidson, Lisa Dolci, John Dryzal, Abby Frey, Susan Gallagher, Emily Mansfield, Timothy Peters, Courtney Raker, Brenda Shambaugh, Shannon Wehinger (notetaker), Doug Wolfgang

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. There was a quorum.

Welcome and Introductions (Chairperson)

Chair Laura Anderson welcomed everyone to the meeting, including the new members.

Approval of June 27, 2024 minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting on June 27, 2024 were provided to members to review. It was moved by Kelly Stagen and seconded by Kristen Currier to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on June 27, 2024. Motion carried.

PACD Updates

The PACD Director of Communications & Education gave an update on the Farm Show. The Farm Show concluded on Saturday, January 11, 2025. The booth space we share with USDA is an excellent location in a main traffic artery. New for this year, PACD created coloring pages that were very popular. The conservation district booth would not be possible without the many conservation district volunteers.

The PACD Water Resource Trainer, Kelly Davidson, gave an update on the Clean Water Academy. Kelly provided an update on new courses that were added recently. She



mentioned courses she is currently working on and the monthly feature of courses in PACD's weekly e-newsletter. Kelly announced a lunch and learn series hosted by the Clean Water Academy that will begin soon.

A reminder was provided about the upcoming PACD webinar on the legislative process on February 5 from Noon-1 p.m. More events can be found at paleadership.org and pacd.org.

Pennsylvania Envirothon

Courtney Raker, Executive Director, PA Envirothon, addressed attendees. Courtney gave an overview of the Envirothon program and outlined involvement opportunities. They are working on a video resource for their website that will help teachers. New this year, the registration to the state competition will be free because of sponsors.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

