

**Joint Meeting of the New Jersey Commission on Environmental Education  
And Interagency Work Group - AGENDA  
Thursday, March 10, 2005  
NJDEP Headquarters, Trenton  
9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon, Public Hearing Room**

<b>9:15 a.m.</b>	<b>COFFEE AND TEA</b>	
<b>9:30</b>	<b>Opening Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome and introductions</li> <li>• Review of agenda</li> <li>• Request for new business items</li> <li>• Review/acceptance of February meeting notes</li> <li>• Status of NJCEE and IWG membership</li> <li>• Status of communications with Leslie regarding “Standards Alive!”</li> <li>• Budget updates – ANJEE contribution and parking passes</li> </ul>	<b>John Kirk/Tanya O. Tanya Oznowich</b>
<b>9:50</b>	<b>Project Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Environmental Primer Publication</i></b> Status of finalizing contents Funding opportunity Plans for distribution</li> <li>• <b>Earth Day 2005 Activities</b> Update on Earth Day Web site contents Update on National Environmental Education Week</li> <li>• <b>NJCEE/IWG Web Site</b> Update on contents of, and hits at, the NJCEE And IWG Web site</li> </ul>	<b>Group Members</b>  <b>Tanya Oznowich</b>  <b>Tanya Oznowich Marc Rogoff</b>  <b>Marc Rogoff</b>
<b>10:15</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>10:30</b>	<b>Project Updates (Con’t)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Plan of Action Revisions Process</i></b> Update on committee activities Group discussion regarding POA revisions process</li> </ul>	<b>Group Members</b>  <b>Dale Rosselet</b>
<b>11:30</b>	<b>Overview: New PLT Curriculum Module</b> <i>Exploring Environmental Issues in the Places We Live</i> (High school and middle school grades)	<b>Elizabeth Faircloth</b>
<b>11:45</b>	<b>New Business and Group Sharing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group application to NEEAP Institute</li> <li>• Distribution of national EE materials</li> <li>• Other new business items</li> </ul>	<b>Group Members</b>
<b>11:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Wrap Up/Closing Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May and June meeting logistics</li> <li>• Meeting highlights and closing remarks</li> <li>• Departure</li> </ul>	<b>John Kirk/Tanya O.</b>

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**NJCEE Attendees:** Fred Ellerbush, John Kirk, Tanya Oznowich, Dale Rosselet, John Schiffranski, Barry Schlegel, Jim Shissias, John Lysko and Karen Wintress

**IWG Attendees:** Elizabeth Faircloth, Kyra Hoffmann, Marc Rogoff

**Guests:** Pat Skelly, Janice Reese-Berardo

**Opening Remarks and General Discussion – T. Oznowich, Dr. Kirk**

- **Motion: February meeting notes approved (B. Schlegel) and seconded (K. Wintress); all in favor.**
- **Motion: Accept agenda (D. Rosselet) and seconded (K. Wintress); all in favor.**
- No updates have been received from the Governors' office concerning new appointments.
- "Standards Alive!" status: No update at this time.
- Budget Updates- ANJEE received check from NJCEE for \$1000.00;
  - Parking passes have been ordered
  - Trust fund monies already allocated for 04/05

**Project Updates – T. Oznowich, M. Rogoff, D. Rosselet**

- April 1<sup>st</sup> target for next release of *Primer* (no major changes have been made – only minor modifications.) To be sent to nature centers, earth day events...etc. The Commonwealth of New Jersey contributed \$3500.00 for publication costs. (Contribution acknowledged on inside cover of *Primer*!)
- Look for more improvements to the **Earth Day** web-site! The event listings are growing and a new calendar format will be created to allow easy access to events. Other supporters of ED/EEW are being sought. A new URL has been proposed for the site ([www.earthdaynj.org](http://www.earthdaynj.org)) which will be far easier to remember than the current address. Rewrite and update of 1997 proclamation distributed for review. PSA proposal reversed.
- **Motion: For NJCEE to pay \$15.00 annual fee for new URL. Approved (D. Rosselet) Seconded (B. Schlegel); all in favor.**
- Improvements were made to the **NJCEE web-site**. Positive feedback has been received from commission members, DEP staff and general public. Hit-rate statistics shared with commission: February totals = 2,174 hits. March numbers expected to be even higher!
- The **Plan of Action revision process** is progressing well. Linda Dill, the project consultant signed the contract; invitations are being assembled and meetings are scheduled; 3 focus group meetings are planned for May. The committee is seeking contributions from the commission on who should be invited to the focus meetings, test out the questions and propose locations for the meetings.
  - The target audience should consist of about 20 people. (25 to be invited)
  - Should be a 2 hour meeting
  - Locations proposed include; Essex County Environmental Center (N), Frelinghusen Arboretum (N), Plainsboro Preserve (C), NRCS office in Freehold (C), Stockton Campus (S), A.C. Comm. College (S) Ocean Center in A.C. (S), and Ocean Center in Tuckerton (S).
  - DEP facilitators corps to facilitate.
  - To be referred to as "Strategic Planning Sessions"
  - A survey can be done with the participants.
  - Questions to be prioritized with less important questions at end.

Participants proposed by the commission were recorded on flip charts – these are available through Dale Rosselet and Linda Dill.

**New PLT Curriculum Module Overview** – E. Faircloth

- Elizabeth promoted the new *Exploring Environmental Issues in the Places We Live* middle and high school module that will be available to NJ teachers in September. The module has a strong web component. Promotion through *SEEDS*, *NJCEE* and the *EEdNews* is being sought.

**New Business - Group**

- The following people will be attending the NEEAP Institute in June: Tanya Oznowich, Elizabeth Faircloth, Pat Skelly and Jerry Schierloh.
- Distribution of EE materials included the United Nations “*Interfaith Partnership for the Environment*” publication.

Remember: **No April meeting scheduled.** Enjoy your EARTH DAY!

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 2005 (Postponed till Friday, June 3, 2005)

Submitted by: M.R., 5/05