

**Joint Meeting of the NJ Commission on Environmental Education
And Interagency Work Group AGENDA
Tuesday, June 19, 2012
9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
3rd Floor LARGE Conference Room
DEP Headquarters, Trenton, New Jersey**

9:30 a.m. Opening Remarks

- Welcome and introductions
- Review agenda/new business items, if any
- Discuss/approve March meeting notes/past meeting activity
- Status of **A Call to Action** approval and appointments
- Discussion regarding work tasks for 2012-2013
- Update on NJCEE/IWG website activity

Dale Rosselet, Chair

Marc and Tanya

9:45 a.m. NJELP Work Group – Update (Action #1)

- Update on state NJELP activity
- Group discussion and next steps (summer and autumn)

*Dale, Pat, Elizabeth,
Roberta and Tanya*

10:00 a.m. NJEED Work Group – Update (Action #5)

- Update on state NJEED activity
- Group discussion and next steps (summer and autumn)

*Marc, Tanya,
Dale and Mike*

**10:10 a.m. Sustainability Education and SAGE -
Sustainability and Green Energy, DEP**

Jaime Ewalt

10:20 a.m. BREAK

**10:30 a.m. Sustainable Schools – Eco-Schools Collaboration
Sustainable Jersey and NJ Audubon**

Donna Drewes/Dale

**10:50 a.m. NJ Sustainable Schools Consortium/GRS Program
Educational Information and Resource Center**

Carol James/Tanya

**11:10 a.m. NJ Sustainable Schools Project/NJSBA Workshop
NJ School Boards Association**

Patty Maillet

**11:30 a.m. Green Schools! Program – Project Learning Tree
DEP Division of Parks and Forestry**

Elizabeth Faircloth

**11:40 a.m. Discussion/next steps regarding Action #2
Updates/announcements – Federal EE activity and ANJEE
Staying in touch over summer/September meeting logistics**

*Dale and Tanya
Pat and Roberta
Dale*

11:55 a.m. Closing remarks and departure

Dale Rosselet

**Joint Meeting of the NJ Commission on Environmental Education
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NJCEE: Dale Rosselet, Roberta Hunter, Danni Logue, Barbara Rich, Marie Downs, Tanya Oznowich, Bruce Barbour,

IWC: Marc Rogoff, Elizabeth Faircloth,

Guests: Donna Drewes, Patty Maillet, Carol James, Pat Skelly, Jamie Ewalt-Grey, Winnie Fatton,

- Welcome and introductions

**Sustainability Education and SAGE - *Jaime Ewalt*
Sustainability and Green Energy, DEP**

Goals of the office:

Accelerate to a clean-energy economy

Economic growth – promote solar, energy innovation

Sustainability – Education, careers, NJHEPS, EIRC, and others.

Climate change initiatives

5 key areas: facilities, law & policy, R&D, green careers, curriculum

Sustainability programs in higher education

Discussion:

Important steps to achieve goals - Train the trainer/NCATE, PLT at the college level,

See model at Penn State (Green Penn)

Sustainable Schools – Eco-Schools Collaboration - *Donna Drewes/Dale*

Sustainable Jersey, NWF and NJ Audubon

Dodge grant initiated program – energy education resources

Similar program to Sustainable Jersey for school districts

108 certified communities in the program

NJAS is working to assemble focused resources that schools can utilize quickly to be more sustainable

Financial savings is the greatest “hook” to bring school districts into the program.

NJ Sustainable Schools Consortium/GRS Program - *Carol James/Tanya*

Educational Information and Resource Center (EIRC)

USDOE, USGBC and other related groups are supportive of the program

Looking to create a “How-To-Guide” for districts.

ACES grant supported the program...looking to support a 3 year program – 100 people (14 districts) trained.

NJ Sustainable Schools Project/NJSBA Workshop - *Patty Maillet*

NJ School Boards Association – all districts and charters are members (state mandate)

School boards can become certified through the program – sustainability and STEM are part of the program

NJSBA conference (10/23-10/25) will be open to curriculum coordinators this year. There will be a sustainability area (funded by USGBC) with multiple exhibitors that are working or can work with schools.

Representatives from the 4 Green Ribbon Schools winners will be present.

Sept/Oct issue of NJSBA magazine will be the first “Green Issue” and green will be a focus of all following issues.

Green Schools! Program – Project Learning Tree - *Elizabeth Faircloth*

DEP Division of Parks and Forestry

Program is in its 3rd year. Started in Newark.

Discussion/next steps regarding Action #2 - *Dale and Tanya*

Where does the environment appear in the CCCS? How can sustainability be integrated? What and why do kids need to know about sustainability? Our challenge is to limit the number to the best resources a teacher can go to =- the ANJEE directory will be too big.

Updates/announcements – Federal EE activity and ANJEE = *Pat and Roberta*

Contact legislators and tell them about EE programs in action this summer! Funding for Safe Routes to Schools may be cut and we should let them know about this.

Duke Farms has reopened and should be seen!

Tanya is coordinating the Env. Stewards alumni meeting for the third year. It will be held on August 1, 2012 at DEP. Wild Outdoor Expo fliers available – Sept 15 & 16.

Staying in touch over summer/September meeting logistics - *Dale*

Lindon opened an urban Hawk-Watch sanctuary with trails, boardwalks and other features. Worked with NJAS and Jerry Schierloh.

Marc is the NJAS recipient of the Env. Educator of the year award – ceremony to be held at Duke Farms on Saturday.

ANJEE conference on Jan 25 & 26. Still looking for keynote and workshops. PALS grants winners to be announced on the ANJEE site.

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- Status of **A Call to Action** approval and appointments – residing with DOE, then to DEP. Waiting for appt process to go through.
- Discussion regarding work tasks for 2012-2013 – stay tuned to emails.
- Update on NJCEE/IWG website activity

NJELP Work Group – Update (Action #1) = *Dale, Pat, Elizabeth,*

- Update on state NJELP activity - *Roberta and Tanya*
- Grant for Klipstien Foundation – correlated to NJCCCS, Cloud Institute, 2 consultants (Bruce Tatulka and Tanya Sulikowski) and will be online for review by Sept. Tanya and Bruce will present to NJCEE in Oct. Plan will be formalized and live by January 2013. (Marc will be testing the instrument and commit by June 29.)
- Group discussion and next steps (summer and autumn)

NJEED Work Group – Update (Action #5) - *Marc, Tanya,*

- Update on state NJEED activity - *Dale and Marc*
- Group discussion and next steps (summer and autumn)

Closing remarks and departure

Next meeting – Sept 13, 2012.