

**Joint Meeting of the NJ Commission on Environmental Education
And Interagency Work Group AGENDA (Revised)
Thursday, November 15, 2012
9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Public Meeting Room, First Floor
DEP Headquarters, Trenton, New Jersey**

9:30 a.m. OPENING REMARKS

- Welcome and introductions
- Review agenda/new business items, if any
- Discuss/approve **June** meeting notes
- Status of **A Call to Action** approval and appointments

Dale Rosselet, Chair

Tanya Oznowich

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

- Update on state **NJ Environmental Literacy Plan** activity
- Review draft layout for NJELP website/components/links to CTA
- Group discussion and next steps

*Roberta Hunter,
Pat Skelly, Dale
and Tanya*

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

- Update on state **NJ Environmental Education Directory** activity
- Review submission form and encourage their completion
- Next steps and Q/A

*Mike Chodroff, Marc
and Tanya*

10:30 a.m. Overview of Current NJDOE Activities

- Update on CCCSs, PD, assessment and other trends, priorities, etc.
- Group discussion RE: EE projects and NJDOE involvement; Q/A with Mike

Mike Heinz

10:45 a.m. General EE Updates

- National EE/NAAEE update
- U.S./NJ Green Ribbon Schools Program
- Eco-schools/Sustainable Jersey
- NJSBA Workshop-EE/Green School Activities

*Pat and Roberta
Carol James/Lester Ray
Donna Drewes/Dale
John Henry*

11:15 a.m. BREAK

11:25 a.m. General EE Updates – Con't

- ANJEE 2013 Conference
- ANJEE 2012 Awards Program
- Other EE announcements and updates

*Roberta, Dale and Pat
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Group members*

11:45 a.m. NJ Earth Day/Environmental Education Week 2013

- Identification of dates/review of annual activities
- Group discussion RE: new ideas, suggestions, etc.

Tanya and Marc

11:55 a.m. Closing remarks and departure

- Discussion regarding 2013 meeting schedule
- Meeting highlights, next steps and wrap-up

*Tanya Oznowich
Dale Rosselet*

12:00 noon DEPARTURE

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NJCEE: John Shafranski, Barbara Rich, Dale Rosselet, Mike Chodruff, Stacey Kennealy, Mike Heinz, Anne Galli, Dani Logue, Derek Shendell, Tanya Oznowich,
IWG: Marc Rogoff, Elizabeth Faircloth,
Public/Presenters: Barbara Sachau, John Henry, Donna Drewes, Pat Skelly, Mike Skelly, Carol James, Lester Ray,

Opening – Farewell to Elizabeth Faircloth moving to Oregon

Quorum not achieved.....

- June not approval – ACES not PALS grant for change to 96 notes. (*Corrected*) Approval will be done by email.

Tanya: Waiting for DOE approval of CTA. Iris Duffield – new job – leaving NJCEE

CTA Update

NJELP – Roberta Hunter (ANJEE) chairing committee is not at today's meeting – so Dale, Tanya and Pat will fill in details. Klipstein Foundation gave ANJEE a grant for the ELP. If NCLI is approved, states with ELP's will be eligible to receive funding from Fed gov't. 2 consultants were hired to do the correlations to the CCCS. Mike Skelly is working on the WIKI that will handle the database program. There will be connections to the CTA, NAAEE and other groups/documents.

NJEED – Tanya, Mike C. and Marc will be meeting later today on this. Part of the grant that helped to create the new ANJEE website (www.anjee.org). Data was collected in the past – a new form is online that is more inclusive featuring more tag lines and options. Entities can complete the forms for submission and approval for posting. The original concept was PEOPLE, PLACES & THINGS. Important to describe the roles of individuals and orgs.

NJDOE – **Mike Heinz**: New Asst. Commish, and other changes. 7 regional achievement centers opened throughout state focusing on mostly math and language arts. NJ is helping work on the new national standards. Looking for feedback on drafts to be made public in December. Question being asked by State BOE is "Should NJ adopt Next-Generation Standards?" The new CCCS is being developed with 26 other states.

Presentations:

Video shown during meeting - online at www.nextgensciencestandards.org

Powerpoint on NGSS and NJ CCCS. (Link here)

EE Updates -

US/NJ Green Ribbon Schools Program – Carol and Lester. Last years was the pilot with 4 NJ winners.

March 15th, 2012 – this coming years conference. (see flyers)

See site for courses and programs.

Eco-Schools/Sustainable Jersey – NWF working with NJAS. Donna – NJSBA creating a Sustainable Jersey certification for schools and school districts. Partnering with local community businesses and citizens.

Press releases expected after Thanksgiving.

NJSBA Workshop-EE/Green School Activities – John H. – see School Leader magazine special edition. JSBA will be doing the green schools workshops at next years' conference. The feedback from this years' conference was very positive.

National EE/NAAEE – Pat: advocacy for EE programs at the national level, i.e. NCLI. Phone conference was held after election day. Lisa Jackson will not stay on for a second term at EPA. The Deputy administrator will remain. New representatives will need to be educated about the existing bills and EE proposals. Contact your local administrators to educate them about the bills. Mike C. went to the NAAEE conference this year. NAAEE would like EE's to do is to not settle.

ANJEE Conference/Annual Awards – January 25/26. All NJCEE members are invited. The 2013 theme is "Wild About New Jersey". The call for award nominations is at the site... www.anjee.org/conference

Closing – The next meeting will take place in February. Conference calls will occur – schedules will be distributed by email. Email questions to presenters if needed.