

**Joint Meeting of the NJ Commission on Environmental Education
And Interagency Work Group AGENDA
Tuesday, February 12, 2013
Meeting-by-Phone
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

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9:30 a.m. Opening Remarks

- Welcome and introductions
- Discuss/approve **November** meeting notes
- Reminder regarding 2013 (spring) meeting dates
- Status of **A Call to Action** approval and appointments

Dale Rosselet, Chair

Tanya Oznowich

9:40 a.m. NJELP Work Group – Update (CTA Action #1)

- Update on state **NJ Environmental Literacy Plan** activity
- Summary of ANJEE workshop presentation
- Discussion regarding conversion of CTA to ELP and rationale for this/Discussion
- Next steps and work currently being done

*Roberta, Pat, Mike,
Tanya and Dale*

10:00 a.m. General EE Updates

- National EE/NAAEE update
- Comment period for DRAFT next generation science standards
- Summary of ANJEE conference
- Summary of ANJEE awards
- U.S./NJ Green Ribbon Schools Program
- March Sustainability Conference
- Eco-schools/Sustainable Jersey
- NJSBA Workshop-EE/Green School Activities

*Pat Skelly
Tanya (or Mike H.)
Pat, Marc
Tanya, Marc
Carol J. or Tanya
Patty, John or Tanya
Dale or Donna
John or Patty*

10:25 a.m. Closing Remarks

- Next meeting – Tuesday, March 12 (in Trenton)/meeting schedule
- Meeting highlights and closing remarks

*Tanya Oznowich
Dale Rosselet*

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NJCEE: Dale Rosselet, Marie Downes, Anne Galli, Tanya Oznowich, Jim Shissias
Nominees: Cynthia Collins, Donna Drewes, Sharon Sherman, Rebecca Jordan
Guests: Mike and Pat Skelly, John Henry
IWG: Marc Rogoff,

Discuss/approve **November** meeting notes

- No quorum at this time; no changes were made

Reminder regarding 2013 (spring) meeting dates

- Sent out by email and posted a couple times (so far) and list has been posted at NJCEE website

Status of appointments

- Waiting for approvals for nominees – request was made for a revised batch of nominees

Update on state NJ Environmental Literacy Plan activity

- NJCEE was originally created to implement “Plan of Action”. The Call to Action was finished last year and submitted for approval. It was determined that the CTA should be incorporated into the new ELP.
- ELP, originally a subset of the CTA, due to NCLB, the federal gov’t took interest and indicated that moneys will be available for states with a standing ELP.
- The Klipstein Foundation gave a grant to ANJEE to create NJ’s plan. We have a core group from multiple agencies/groups working on the ELP using the NAAEE “Guidelines for Learning”.
- Correlations to national and state standards are being finalized to create a searchable database to be part of the plan.
- Document will go out for public comment in the spring.
- Only 2 states are not working on an ELP, 14 states are at the implementation stage.
- Dale made a request for a motion to be sent out to group for approval of ELP progress.
- At the next meeting, Mike Skelly will demonstrate the database for the NJCEE members.

Summary of ANJEE workshop presentation (about the NJELP)

Discussion regarding conversion of CTA to ELP and rationale for this/Discussion

- Session at ANJEE on the ELP: How the standards will be incorporated – positive response from all attending. The NJ process is the first in the country to do what we are doing.
- Funding for continuing this process is being sought.

National EE/NAAEE updates

Comment period for DRAFT next generation science standards

- Comment period has closed – see www.nextgenscience.org

Summary of ANJEE conference/awards

- See the website for full details www.anjee.org/awards

U.S./NJ Green Ribbon Schools Program

- Two schools have been chosen to continue on to the next level (national competition)
- The two schools are being vetted regarding their regulatory requirements

March Sustainability Conference

- March 15, 2013 – second annual conference in NJ - go to www.EIRC.org for full details.

Eco-schools/Sustainable Jersey/NJSBA Workshop-EE/Green School Activities

- Working agreement has been created to link above groups – “Sustainable Jersey For Schools”
- Dodge Foundation is supporting this initiative thru NJAS and hopefully NWF will also contribute
- Members of the NJCEE/IWG will be called in to contribute/participate.

Next meeting – Tuesday, March 12 (in Trenton)

- See meeting schedule for all spring meeting logistics
- John Henry – **School Board Notes** (electronic newsletter to school board members) and the quarterly magazine/publication - **School Leader** magazine are produced by NJSBA and both offer ample opportunity to get info out to school board members statewide – see him for details
- Meeting notes will be approved (from now on) through electronic voting by existing members (Marc)