

RCP Board Meeting December 7, 2016
6:30 pm, Voinovich School, Bldg. 22

In Attendance: Molly Gurien, Bob Eichenberg, Vance Rannels, Glenn Stout, Chad Gatt, Amy Mackey, Sarah Cornwell, Kara Roberts, Heike Perko, Chelsi Hempstead, and Jessica Makosky.

Minutes

Minutes from the October 26, 2016 meeting were voted on and approved. Heike made the motion and Chelsi seconded.

Treasurer's Report – Chelsi gave reports for November and December

	November	December
• RCWTA	\$3,072.71	\$2,560.21
• Waterloo	\$2,204.33	\$2,378.33
• Quidel	\$305.48	\$82.19
• General (Checking)	\$6,383.60	\$6,183.68
• Savings	\$187.70	\$187.70
• AEP bill was	\$29.43	\$21.12

Business Items

Officer Elections

Vance made a motion and Heike seconded to keep existing officers. All existing officers were willing to continue. The vote was unanimous.

Director's Report (Amy)

A TAC meeting was held 12/7/2016.

Amy spoke at the Madison County SWCD annual dinner. This area has a lot of agriculture, no AMD. The audience was very interested in hearing about a totally different land use scenario. Info about RCWTA was also provided.

The doser was down over Thanksgiving for up to a week. A set screw was the problem and was repaired. The doser channel pH which is normally about 10 was down to about 3. There were no serious detrimental effects in Hewett Fork. Hewett Fork was at 5.5 at Waterloo and 7.0 at Rockcamp Creek.

Macroinvertebrate ID will take place over winter months. Amy is also working on Index of Biological Integrity ratings.

Kelly Capuzzi from EPA said data should be sent to RCP by end of December.

RCP event dates need to be determined for the entire year and sent to Ken Richie at ODNR for approval. Amy wants to have these submitted by our January meeting. These are events that are property-related, but not just Center-related.

A final Waterloo Report and request for 2017 is needed. Americorps usually prepares this. Amy will ask for Board review.

Staff assisted with a small rain garden at The Ridges by buildings 38 and 39.

OSM reclamation grants-Two grants will total about \$400,000. Daniel's Run flows into Little Raccoon Creek. It is funded but administrative work is needed and our computer is not cooperating right now. Ilesboro is a project normally capped at \$100,000 but Pennsylvania did not request as much money so we hope to get more than usual.

Our website needs work. Chad will remove outdated material. He needs to work with Taeil at Voinovich School.

Linda Thornton at The Bottom Line needs our DUNS #, bank account #, and routing #.

Our insurance agent, John Paulus, will attend the January meeting. Part of our insurance coverage increase in the minimum premium is due to cyber coverage. For people who need to be bonded, Bob will need

to receive birth dates and Driver's License numbers for all members who drive for any volunteer activities. The insurance company needs a description of all our activities. On a similar issue, we will try to have our President and Treasurer bonded by our January meeting.

Water Quality Specialist (Sarah)

Sarah reviewed her customary tasks of chemical monitoring, biological monitoring, treatment system monitoring, data input, and reporting.

Sarah is working with Jackson SWCD on stream stabilization around Jackson.

2017 will be a year of doser maintenance.

2018-2020 : Steel slag replacement in East Branch reclamation. Slag life depends on a variety of issues including: slag chemical and physical characteristics, water chemistry, bed design and construction, maintenance, and piping and valving. ODNR builds the project and oversees major maintenance. RCP does minor maintenance.

There was a brief discussion of toxic algal blooms. Lake Alma had a bad one. Lake Hope has had them. They tend to be most prevalent in small, shallow, clear lakes where sunlight can penetrate to the lake bed and sediments.

AmeriCorps

Spring Camp will be April 15th. Summer camps are June 19-23 and July 17-21. Family Fun Day is May 20th.

Kara has been busy with Kids on Campus and after winter break will get into local schools.

Chad is working on a grant for a stream table. It is portable. He also wants to pursue an augmented reality sandbox that can change topography. A \$5,000 grant will be written to the Ohio Environmental Education Fund. Heike suggested a phone call to OEEF to get an idea of what to emphasize in the writing.

Other Business

Owl Prowl

The Prowl is set for February 2nd. Amy reviewed what we need to do in order to get ready: We need to check owl pellet stash at Waterloo, food, TP cardboard rolls for making owls, hot chocolate from Snowville Creamery, markers, crayons, and masks. We need to get there at 5:30pm. We need to find a dispenser to replace the crock pots for the hot chocolate.

Holiday Mailing

Will go out to members with a wish list. The Board should update the existing list by email.

Education Meeting

Will be in January and is an opportunity to review plans and themes for 2017. We need to try to fix the broken groundwater model.

Waterloo

Bob will winterize.

New Business

Vance reported that there are new studies about water-conserving agricultural crops. Sorghum, milo, and switch grass are examples. Sorghum also uses less fertilizer than corn and other grains.

RCWTA

Sarah reminded everyone that ACA instructor training requires your First Aid/CPR update. Dustin will soon have his Instructor Training certification for canoe, kayak, and paddleboard. Hopefully the Spring Float can be done in cooperation with Dustin and the new canoe livery, Raccoon Creek Outfitters.

Our next meeting will be January 25th, 6:30pm at the Voinovich School.