

FNEPAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 1/10/2022

Subject:	Quarterly Meeting	Date:	1/10/2022
Facilitator:	Sean	Time:	7 - 9 pm
Note Taker:	Lauren	Location:	interwebs
Attendees:	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3932902841		
Present:			

Agenda & Notes		
No.	Item	Time
	Symposium 2022 details to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lodging layout confirmation Lodging for non-alumni? Tom's program (including field walk) Schedule, events, and timings Field trip locations Review announcement / registration language Scholarships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For students: FNEPAA paying half, and PBIO paying half For alumni: what do we want to provide? Next Steps? 	7:05
	Program Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From Faculty (Walt) From Students (Laura) 	8:15
	Funds and Fundraising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financials update Review of budget intentions from a few meetings ago Budgeting for 2022 student project support and alumni passion projects 	8:30
	Administrative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial update Jessie's match pledge (West coast symposium) Board leadership update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcoming Grace (and due process here) Communications Officer Review and approve minutes from June meeting. Growing the Board, successes and challenges? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invitations made?: Allaire, Jon K, Jessie G., Grace G, Emily Stone? 	

Action Items	
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No.	Action Item(s)	Owner	Target Date	Status
	Items for Next Meeting: Ratify Minutes Financial Updates from this meeting Growing the board (cont'd)			

1/10/22 Meeting Notes (Grace, Sean, Tate, Walt, Laura, Hannah):

Lodging:

- Beds are probably twin sized but people can bring blow-up mattresses and sleeping pads and sleep in common spaces
- We're anticipating perhaps 30 people; Tom Wessels will likely be a draw
- There's a bathroom available for tenters
- When people register for a cabin, we should have a place where they can indicate needs for accommodations (private room, refrigerator, bathroom, etc.)
- Tate asked whether we want to have a Sunday-day-only option? Sean thinks that the Sunday-Monday option is essentially priced for the Sunday activities.
- Tate notes that we don't reference the option for sleeping inside but just on the ground; would be good for people to know that there's space available (and some of that space is separate from what we need for activities)
- Sean will invite Bernd Heinrich
- We can individually reach out to people (Eric Sorenson, Jerry Jenkins, etc) but cabin priority should be given to alums. There are lots of Air BnBs in the area.

Tom Wessels Program

- Hour keynote, hour discussion, followed by field walk
- Tom and Marsha are wondering if we could do one big field walk; this might be problematic if we have a huge group. We may need to walk the road, which would be fine as long as there's forest. We'll figure out field walk location once we have a head count.

Schedule

- Would be good to have someone give an orientation to the ecology of the place (we think we did this at Highland Lodge)
- Saturday field walks should be on-site; we will push dinner back to maximize daylight outside time
- There are many trails, including ocean access and a couple lookouts

- Do we want people to lead these or should they be unstructured? All agreed that no formal walk leaders are needed
- Discussion topics: all agreed that it would be nice to just have one person presenting at a time
- We can follow up with presenters later because folks probably aren't ready with their specific topic– we just need to hook them now
- Walt wonders whether people need to present to be a discussion leader; all agreed that yes, but the “presentation” doesn't need to be a super formal, academic presentation
- Tate is asking about wifi– can we stream in Jeff's Nugget (or other things?)?
- Possibilities for Sunday night: storytelling and open call for nuggets
- TIDEPOOLING OPTION FOR SATURDAY AFTERNOON? Tate will invite some marine friends, and Glen Mittlehauser
- Grace will invite Jerry Jenkins, who would likely sleep in his van
- Tate will invite Jill Weber

Scholarship options

- Tate thinks Eagle Hill won't mind if a few people want to bring their own food, but it would complicate things to offer an option without food
- We'll wait to see if people request financial aid and then assess next steps
- Walt will circle back about whether PBIO can cover half of the current students' admission (\$600)
- Will have need for volunteer support
- Equipment: There's one screen
- Hannah mentions that it would be good to be clearer about what current students' roles are ahead of time: how can they help? Also, we should have them introduce themselves and say what their projects are

Recruiting additional board members:

- Everyone asked was interested but doesn't have the capacity to join the board
- If FNEPAA can fundraise \$1,500 an anonymous alumni will match it
- Hannah suggested that perhaps part of those funds could go toward a Western Symposium

- Update from Laura H: career panel in the works; Sean and Lauren will be stepping in to set this up. Walt mentioned that a couple people have contacted him looking for FNs to fill job openings.
- Unofficial Winter Ecology will go forward at Bernd's February 19-21.
- Walt submitted report to the provost's office recently and is hoping to hear back about that proposal soon; he'd like to share it but is waiting to see where things land. It lays out some new programmatic initiatives, financial info, etc.
- ALs are being matched with projects and may even be matched by the end of the week