

## FNEPAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 2023

<b>Subject:</b>	Quarterly Meeting	<b>Date:</b>	11/28/2023
<b>Facilitator:</b>	Sean	<b>Time:</b>	7:30 - 8:45 pm
<b>Note Taker:</b>	Grace	<b>Location:</b>	The Internet
<b>Attendees:</b>	<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3932902841">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3932902841</a>		
<b>Present:</b>	Sean, Walter, Dave, Deane, Grace, Carolyn, Laura, Hannah		

### Agenda & Notes

No.	Item	Time
	<p><b>Updates and Check-ins</b></p> <p>Laura and Chris Schorn teamed up to get an MNRCP grant for a big Maine wetland restoration project!</p> <p>Approve and review minutes from last meeting</p>	7:30
	<p><b>Update on new FN Major Giving Campaign and board responsibilities</b> - Walter Willard Morgan is helping with a 5-year philanthropic campaign, and Walt and Sean are working with the UVM Foundation. Walt is meeting with the dean and new funding officer in early Dec. about larger-scale major-gift approach that would complement the Porky Fund, which is really focused on supporting current students.</p> <p>Ongoing discussion about future endowment of the director position; potentially returning to the Mellon Foundation for funding</p>	7:40
	<p><b>Board Working Groups:</b> Many hands make light work! How would you like to plug in?</p> <p>Board committees, loosely established based on interests as expressed below.</p> <p><b>Alumni Networks: Deane, Hannah, Sean</b> Collecting alumni feature stories for major gift campaign materials (Hannah, Deane) Winter lunchtime virtual naturalist hangout (Grace) Maintaining and updating alumni database (Laura)</p> <p><b>Student Support: Carolyn, Dave (student liaison)</b> Supporting current students with mentoring connections (Jill?) Supporting current students via Porky Fund grants (Carolyn) Graduate Committee matching and Field Exam Committee (Grace can help) Maintaining job board (Carolyn)</p> <p><b>Communications:</b> Facebook/Instagram engagement (Lauren?) Email communications development</p> <p><b>Symposium: Laura, Sean, (Dave)</b> Planning committee for 2024 Symposium</p> <p><b>Admin: Sean</b> Website maintenance Managing agendas and minutes Financials and transactions</p>	7:50

	Membership and donation management and gift acknowledgement	
	<p>2024 Symposium &amp; 40th anniversary graduation planning. Dates, plans, schedules.</p> <p>Windmill Hill (new inholding) at Shelburne Farms for 2024?</p> <p>General consensus that we want a less academic symposium this year with more field time. Perhaps build in an inventory at Meach Cove or somewhere else. Would be fun to rent a summer camp. Kamp Kinaya, Hochelega, elsewhere in Champlain Islands. Somewhere local to Burlington to be able to dovetail with graduation @ Windmill Hill at Shelburne Farms</p> <p>Proposal to have a day option at less cost.</p> <p>Growing momentum for a west coast symposium (2025?)</p>	8:15
	Scheduling next meeting? (End of January)	8:45