

California Environmental Education Interagency Network Meeting
November 19, 2015, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
California Department of Fish & Wildlife, Region 2
1701 Nimbus Road
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Meeting Leader: Laura Drath

Note Taker: Brian Brown

Attendees:

Laura Drath, California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Brian Brown, Water Education Foundation - Project WET

Greg Ira, University of California - California Naturalist Program

Susan Knadle, OEHHA retired, U.C. Davis

Christy Porter Humpert, CalRecycle

Annie Kohut Frankel, California Coastal Commission

Chris Parry, California Coastal Commission

Ed Wong, California Air Resources Board

Carolyn Kolstad, U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Lesley Taylor, California Department of Education - Green Ribbon Schools Program

Linda Desai, Placer Nature Center - Project WILD

Brian Cahill, California State Parks

Carolyn Schimandle, California State Parks

Shannon Gordon, California Department of Education

DeAnn Tenhunfeld, California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom

Calling in:

Bill Andrews, CA Environmental Education Foundation

Kay Antunez, CEEIN Member, Emeritus

Celeste Royer, San Luis Obispo County Office of Education - Rancho El Chorro

Jorine Campopiano, US Environmental Protection Agency

Anne Stephens, CSU Chico, Inland Northern Science Project

Tom Drake, Association for Environmental & Outdoor Education

1. Check-in and Catch-up

- Laura called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
- The group reviewed the October minutes.
- The minutes were approved. Ed moved to approve and Annie seconded.
- Reviewed action items from October 2015 meeting.

2. Committee Reports and Discussion

• **Administration and Organization**

- Ed discussed status and reviewed importance of CEEIN MOU
- Ed opened discussion on 2016 CEEIN Host List and final positions filled. Discussion regarding conflicts with April CEEIN meeting and Earth Day events. Vote to move CEEIN meeting date to Thursday, April 14, 2016

3. Blueprint for Environmental Literacy – Shannon Gordon

- Basic process of development and the eight strategies
- Environmental Literacy Taskforce (ELTF) members' personal experiences
- Text in the Blueprint – page 28, item g, and page 10, number 3
- ELTF Member comments on intentions of item g
- Cal Recycle and State Parks members' comments on item g
- CEEIN's direction in implementing blueprint
- Bill and Anne provided overview of how CEEIN became noted in Literacy plan – i.e., examples of current PD collaborations around State, 1990s Compendium project collaboration with much CEEIN input.
- Christy suggests CEEIN 'take stock' of what each of us brings to the table. Annie suggested starting with the brochure and website to begin updated these resources.
- Greg suggested CEEIN get involved in framework review process.

4. Committee Reports and Discussion (Con't)

• **Administration and Organization**

- Ed began discussion on CEEIN Handbook Revision.
- Ed discussed Greenhouse Gas Reduction Funds for Schools. Schools will need to work with specific agencies targeting issues related to their areas of focus in order to access funding, if funding for projects is approved. Lesley notes schools currently can't access all of the programs available. Lesley will send contacts for Deborah Moore and Institute for Local Government.

5. What's New in Your World

Annie – Shared information on the California Coastal Art & Poetry Contest.

DeAnn – Shared 'Stop the Invasion' facts.

Greg – Shared the following links with the group:

- What's New from California Naturalist Program: Natural History of the Sierra Nevada: <http://anrcatalog.ucanr.edu/pdf/8535.pdf>

- California Instructional Material (e.g., textbook) Adoption Process: An opportunity for CEEIN members to contribute and ensure rigor and quality of environmental content:
<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2015/11/1511110120441.htm>
- Resource Directory: The Sarasota EdExploreSRQ model:
<http://edexploresrq.com/> (I looked at the CREEC model and it is essentially the same)

Carolyn – Shared information on a project her headquarters office is working on: **Concept: Anecdotes to Evidence: Highlighting the Impact and Value of EE** - The North American Association for Environmental Education and Stanford University, in partnership with a number of multi-sector collaborators in the field of EE and beyond, are building support to launch an “Anecdotes to Evidence” campaign and impact platform for the field. The goal is to demonstrate the impact of environmental education and communicate the results widely, targeting key audiences to build support, bring in new resources, promote innovation, and identify key research gaps.

Action Items

- 1) Ed will update CEEIN calendar to reflect change of April meeting date to Thursday, April 14, 2016 (DONE).
- 2) All CEEIN members check CEEIN.org links for our programs. E-mail Annie with the correct link if the existing link needs to be corrected.
- 3) All CEEIN Agency members should locate statutory code mandating authority to do/engage in education.
- 4) Lesley will send notice of Science Framework Draft Review process to CEEIN members and share contacts for Deborah Moore and Institute for Local Government. (DONE).
- 5) Send Ed suggestions for CEEIN Handbook paragraph regarding CEEIN accomplishments – bottom of page 3.
- 6) Jorine will send Ed language regarding changes to Outreach, Diversity & Partnerships Committee entry.

Next Meeting

NO DECEMBER MEETING. Next meeting will be on January 21, 2016, at CalEPA, Training Room 1-- First Floor – Ed will be lead. Annie will be note taker.