

CEEIN Meeting Minutes 2/17/2011
CalEPA 1001 I Street, Room 230
Sacramento

Host: Ed Wong
Notetaker: Anne Stephens

Guest Speakers: Matt Lappe ACE
Dimitri Stanich CARB

In attendance:

Ed Wong
Natalie Lee
Susan Knadle

Anne Stephens
Michelle Robinson

Called in:

Kay Antunez

Annie Kohut Frankel

Guests:

Dimitri Stanich CARB
Shuka Rastegarpour

Christina O'Dea student assistant (ARB)

Welcome and review and approval of minutes

Clarification about EEI as a stand alone committee...it falls under legislation.
Eliminate 6th bullet on page 2 in minutes "EEI curriculum is a model...."
Due to lack of quorum, postponed approval of minutes until March meeting

Committee Reports

Administration:

We still need to clarify chairs and members of committees. Anne will send the link to the CEEIN Handbook to all members so that they can decide how to serve.
After March 7, Ed will survey CEEIN members for who submitted proposals for workshops and short courses for CSTA
CEEIN meetings will be at CDE from July-November.
Bechtel is working with Nature Bridge to help build the EE field, bringing together K-12 and non-formal education, agencies, outdoor schools and other providers. NB has a 4 million dollar grant from Google for this purpose, and would like to work closely with CEEIN and the CREEC Network. Angie Chen (Bechtel) and Jason Morris (Nature Bridge) will be attending CEEIN meetings this spring.

Legislation and Diversity:

Met on February 9. The Mathematics and Science Leadership Office has a new consultant who is involved with HUD Region 8 and the Mayor's Office and would like to see more EE outreach to youth in public housing (gardens, etc).

Kay provided an update on the NCLI legislation. Anne will post new info in the next CREEC Newsletter.

Donna is not the chair of this committee, so we need to discuss and assign someone new.

EEI updates: Natalie reported that OEE is making progress with potential funders. Focus with connections with other providers (i.e. presented to State Parks earlier this month). NOAA Environmental Literacy Grant will be announced in June. Final units have all been posted as of December. OEE staff met with CREEC Coordinators on January 25.

Communication:

Carolyn Tucker was chair of this committee. Michelle will consider taking on this role now that Carolyn has retired.

Email is still an issue. Anne only receives notices of bounces from OEHHA. Natalie only receives messages sporadically. Ed asked that everyone check with their Tech Services Divisions to see if the problem is with the firewall for your agency.

10:15 What's New in Your World:

Susan Knadle: is taking classes in science outreach through John Muir Institute and shared that

NSF and NIH are requiring all research proposals to contain an outreach plan and statement of impacts.

Perhaps CEEIN members can tie into these proposals. Deb Bruns presented at the last class meeting about CREEC and what we have to offer.

Michelle and Anne, along with Brian Brown (Project WET) met with the Central Valley Flood Plain Program (CVFPP) staff to discuss the inclusion of a K-12 Flood education program as part of the 4 billion dollar FloodSafe Bond Measure. They will be providing the CVFPP with a brief summary to be included in the report that will be reviewed by the Flood Board in January 2012. The focus will be on the ecosystem services provided by floodplains.

Anne: Participated as a reader with Brian Brown at the "Caring for our Watersheds": Service Project Proposal Contest Sponsored by Agrium through the Center for Land Based Learning. Also is involved with the UCD Environmental Education Graduate Group- research focus on EE issues. Bechtel is interested in funding EE related research.

CREEC Coordinators meetings are being held monthly.

Michelle: Involved with the Sacramento Zoo Teen Volunteers, and encourages CEEIN members to consider offering to do a presentation.

Kay: Reaching out to CREEC coordinators to incorporate PLT materials
California Re-Leaf is picking up Arbor Day program from National PLT.

Natalie: EEI will be at Social Science Council's Annual Conference in Sacramento March 4 and 5 at the Doubletree.

Ed: Introduced Shuka and Christina (student interns) will be graduating this June

10:30 Guest Presentation by ACE: Alliance for Climate Education

www.acespace.org Headquartered in Oakland.

Matt Lappe matt.lappe@climateeducation.org

45 minute High School Assembly program: Free to schools

Discusses the consequences, science, and solutions of climate change.

ACES has a science advisory staff (mostly from Stanford but also across the country) as well as a youth advisory board.

2 main pieces: ACE Assembly \$0.5 million spent developing the presentation

Second part of the program: Student Action Program

DOT Campaign: "do one thing" where students commit to one thing they can do.

Famous people have also committed to a "dot" and help promote the program.

Action Teams: school environmental club. ACE helps provide support and templates for project ideas.

Leadership Trainings per semester: for 50-60 students to provide them with more background on climate change, as well as leadership skills to do successful projects. Provide grants and scholarships to schools and individual school leaders (scholarships).

Accomplishments:

Reached 700,000 students through Assemblies 1200 schools

53,000 dots

155,000 members in ACE network

13,700 Facebook fans.

\$135,000 in grants and scholarships.

Initial seed money is running out. Working with Sac Mayor's Greenwise Program.

2nd guest presentation: Dimitri Stanich CARB

The Climate Generation Program 3rd year.

Goal is to outreach to every high school in the state. Connect students to EE curriculum through classroom projects.

Partnership between the CARB , British Council and the Will Steger Foundation (although the British Council just dropped out)

Competition. Register by February 1 Project reports submitted by April 1, 2011.

Winning Projects announced in early May 2011.

Up to \$5,000 plus a plaque or trophy for the top 3 schools

<http://coolcalifornia.org/climatechampions>

11:15 Action Items: (from last meeting):

- Anne: Remove Carolyn Tucker from website, Add Michelle and Bobbi back to roster
- Ed asked that all members check with their tech support division to see if there is a firewall problem.

New Action Items:

- Anne is sending link to CEEIN handbook, requesting people to review tasks and pick a committee to serve on.
- Susan will send a summary of the NIH and NSF requirements to Anne for the notes.
- Anne will provide Dr. Heidi Ballard info on COSA and EEI units for Susan's class
- Send out updated CREEC list (Anne)
- Ed will survey group for CSTA short courses and presenters after March 7.
- April 14 meeting: Anne will send out an email to clarify the date and room availability for this CEEIN meeting (moving the meeting to the 14 as April 21 is Earth Day and might conflict with too many scheduled events).

11:30 Meeting adjourned