

NEWPRO Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 19, 2020

HOSTED BY:

Neenah Parks, Recreation and Forestry
Memorial Park George Scherck Shelter
1175 Appleblossom Dr. Neenah, WI

1. Call to Order

a. Welcome

b. Introductions

Attendance – Clint Williams- Neenah, Jim Kluge- Neenah, Mike Kading- Neenah, Steph Schott- Neenah, Loren Dieck- Outagamie County, Tony Nowak- Greenville, Reid Fieber- New London, Trevor Prusinski- Grand Chute, Emma Aumiller- Two Rivers, Steph Schlag- Ledgeview, Adrienne Lacy- Marinette, Brian Tungate- Menasha, Ray Mauer- Oshkosh, Jeff Malloy- Kaukauna, Cassandra Humke- Waupaca

2. Reports

a. Park Section: Vicky Redlin

- Met in DeForest
- 2020 Work Plan
- Spring workshop in Middleton
- Meet in January online

b. Recreation Section: Adrienne Lacy

- Met over the phone
- Talked about spring workshop and Recreation workshop
- Looking for speaker ideas

c. Aquatics Section: Melody Escoto

- Get your last minute sign ups in for Aquatic Seminar January 9th in Baraboo! It should really be an awesome time with our presenters!
- With the new date change for Awards, please let me know if you are aware of any new/renovated aquatic facilities that would be interested.

d. YPN Section: Adam Breest

- We will be hosting 2 Webinars in 2020 that will count for CEUs (1 in March and 1 in December)
- The YPS met with the Leadership Academy in regards to becoming a partner with Leadership Academy
- We were excited to host our first Mentorship Luncheon at Conference. We will be reworking the mentorship lunch for the 2020 Conference to be more networking and not as much of a speaker led event
- We will be looking for volunteers to help us put on panels at UW-La Crosse, Whitewater and MATC in the Spring of 2020. Please contact Adam or John if interested!

- We have appointed a new student rep. Her name is Briana Bartz and she is a student at UW-L. We are also seeking a student from MATC as there has been interest from them as well.

e. WPRA: Steph Schlag

- WPRA Award Nominations: All due on May 1st, 2020
- 2020 vacancies for committees, sections and regions will be developed in January and forwarded to members for consideration. Please advise all Sections the need for nominations that should be provided to me by March 1st, 2020.
- Met as a board in Oshkosh and going to a 2 year budget
- WPRA is restructuring section manuals to make them more uniform

f. WI Urban Forestry Council—WPRA Rep: Tony Nowak

- Council put out a report on the past 2 years. Reach out to Tony if you would like a copy.
- Meet in March next

g. Public Policy: Marty Kosobucki

- Committee members and WPRA Administration are conducting interviews today of potential lobbyists in Madison

h. Conference/Workshop Updates:

- Conference at KI Center Nov. 3-6
- Committee will meet in Jan to discuss 2019 conference evaluations and continue planning for 2020
- WPRA Office currently negotiating contracts for speakers
- There is an event for the conference on Facebook we invite everyone to follow
 - Will use event to release updates, promotions, etc.

i. Other (Membership, Awards, nominations, etc.):

- FAC Workshop is on January 10th in Jackson. Free for Foundation members, \$25 donation for non-members, which includes your membership to the Foundation

3. Speaker/ Presentation 10:00-11:15am: Ben Fauske: Authentic Confidence (.1CEU)

4. Discussion

a. Administration/General:

- i. Annual Reports: do you do them, who do you present and distribute to? Please bring examples of your reports.
- Chad from Oshkosh sent one out, Oshkosh started annual reports 2 years ago and distribute it in mid-march.
 - Chad and Michelle in New London post their annual report online
 - Bellevue presented theirs to the committee and then to the village board.

b. Aquatics:

- i. Junior Guard program: who has them, what is your process, pros and cons.
- Marinette and New London: teach and shadow guards for a day, low enrollment, but partnering with the school helped enrollment
 - Menasha has for 2-3 years and it runs for 4-6 weeks.

Region 2/NEWPRO Meeting Schedule for 2020:

February/March meeting TBD

May 21, 2020: Neenah

September 17, 2020: Winnebago County: Oshkosh Corporation Advancement Center

November: Annual Meeting—WPRA Conference, Green Bay

December 17, 2020: Ledgeview