

Great Lakes Environmental Festival (GLEF) Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2023, 7:00 pm

In attendance via Zoom were:

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Minutes from Previous meeting were not reviewed or approved.

Meeting Summary

- Peggy Raddatz explained that High School is not able to organize 5k run this year.
- Judy offered to go to Meijer to get donation of compostable materials for display at Expo. John indicated there would be no food at our event.
- We have WSCC from 8am-7pm each day April 21 and April22. We should be done at 6 pm each day.
- We have Wagoner Center on St Mary's Parkway 10am-3pm on Saturday April 22, 2023.
- John has made contact with potential presenters and speakers to participate in the Expo. Lectures are to be coordinated from 1-5pm in 1hour blocks at WSCC. As of this date four speakers are lined up at present. Alan O-Shea Solar Service, Jim McGinnis Crystal Mountain, Julia Chambers AFFEW President, A yet to be named person from Michigan Tech Great Lakes Water Research Center, A person from WSCC Biology Department. Ziggy is going to invite Nick Schroeck University of Detroit Law School to talk about environmental law. Will also reach out to Marc Edwards Virginia Tech.
- Little River Band will have table presentation. John will follow up.
- Michigan Climate Action will have a table presentation John will follow up.
- The Conservation District is going to provide a table presentation. Gary will get follow-up this week.
- The Coast Guard is probably going to offer a water rescue demonstration. Gary will get follow-up this week.
- At WSCC movies at WSCC could include Great Lakes Untamed available from Northern Michigan Environmental Action Council. Ziggy & Stephanie will review.

- School system students will display art and bring their own easels at WSCC. John will follow up.
- Poster presentation by students from University of Detroit Mercy at WSCC will be about Climate Change and Health. Ziggy will coordinate.
- Movie Vogue Friday Morning 4.21.22. Great Lakes: One Water for Life is being considered 10:00 AM Ziggy will follow up.
- PCA- Sara Kattunas P.E. may participate. John will follow up.
- Shirley will be media contact person.
- Shirley will go to City and County Council meetings to ask for endorsement.
- Consideration is being made to hold an Electric Bike Parade
- Consideration is being made to have a Charge up! Electric Car Rally at Wagoner Center. Lee Trucks may be leader.
- Shuttle between Wagoner Center and WSCC is being explored by Judy Cunningham and Peggy Raddatz
- City Council Resolution to be requested by Shirley Madden
- County Council Resolution to be requested by Shirley Madden
- Web Page Design Update: Link for students to submit YouTube URL Lee Trucks will be contacted.
- Media Release to be created by Ziggy and Shirley
- Saturday at Vogue or WSCC morning kids presentation is still something we should pursue and Ziggy will talk with Vogue about this again.
- There could be a beach clean-up activity.
- Nature walk is being considered.
- Senior Center – WormWorks – composting demonstration.
- Ford dealer may provide electric car display at Wagoner Center.

Next meeting for GLEF is Wednesday, February 22nd at 7:00 (Zoom).

Submitted,

Stephanie Baiyasi and Ziggy Kozicki