

Red Cedar Environmental Institute

Board Meeting 9/19/12

Date: Wednesday, September 19, 2012 Time: 6:00 pm

Location: RCEI lab room

Present: Rick Jacob, Andrea Beach, Joe Bognar, Mike Steiner. Meeting open at 1800

Agenda Items:

1. Approve previous board meeting minutes RJ/JB
2. Public comments: none
3. Approve agenda RJ/JB
4. Financial: Bank account: no report at this time. Fundraising : Final tally of proceeds and expenses pending from Harvest Fest Run/walk, Canoe Race and concessions. Spread sheet will be put together to help with planning for future event(s). RJ will deposit cash as this time. RJ comments the clean up was great; the kids and parent volunteers.
5. Implementation renewal grant: DPI is requiring some revisions. Grant contingent on this. Revisions pending per MS. Discussion follows regarding measurement of student progress.
6. Enrollment: Transfers in/out- Open house brought in 6 applications/admissions. On the first day, an additional student enrolled. Enrollment reached 31. After first week, 2 students withdrew. Enrollment is at 29 and 3 kids are on waiting list. There is one space available before we reach maximum enrollment of 30. Classroom space is a major issue and exceeding 30 students is not possibility at this time.
7. Facilities/equipment: Rooms- per above. Trailer-JB working on. Canoes- MS reports there has been some issues with canoe share agreement. Discussion follows regarding equipment sharing. This issue should be discussed with Mr. Brown. Plan to invite him to next board meeting. Perhaps RCEI needs to purchase canoes and trailer with grant funds.
8. Marketing: Website- no report on this. Facebook- Holly has been updating the page. JB inquires regarding sign for bike trailer. Designs are reviewed. Survey of previous students & parents was not sent out yet. Perhaps we could do a start of the year survey and year end survey of current student body. This could be emailed with Holly's regular updates.
9. School Updates: Shoreline restoration project- Permits need to be clarified before this proceeds. Project will likely be put on hold until Spring. Overnight trip-near Clam Lake with anticipated 22 student participants.
10. Adjourn at 1945.