## Nebraska Alliance for Conservation and Environment Education (NACEE) Board Meeting

Thursday, August 6, 2020 10:30 AM (CST) – 1:00 PM

Welcome and Attendance - Jamie welcomed those joining via zoom. Amanda, Stephanie, Monica, Sarah, and Russanne

Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) – did not have quorum. Meeting Minutes not approved. Treasurer Report - \$5,832.49.

- Stephanie has access to the accounts as the new Treasurer.
  - She will work on getting a debit card for purchases.
  - o Jamie will hand off Treasurer's box/files to Stephanie when timing allows.
  - O NAAEE Affiliate dues are up in August, \$200 annually

Discussion was had regarding NACEE and if the group should continue on even if not all current board members can be as active.

- Pam will not have time to participate at this time.
- Carrie asked to step down.
- Others have expressed concern of having enough time.

Consensus was that we can still do good work and should try to replace Carrie's position during elections this fall/winter.

Board also recognizes that due to some board members having additional or different responsibilities due to COVID-19 that being a little bit more accommodating on the requirement of board members attending meetings this year. However, still will encourage all to be as active as possible.

## **Committee Reports**

Strategic Planning – Russanne reported her and Matt met. They have developed a plan to reformat our current strategic plan which will detail timing to achieve goals.

- Amanda inquired about diversify board goal
- Stephanie has board matrix she will share that can be a tool we use.

Nominating Committee – Amanda is planning to finalize elections in November so those elected are ready to join our first meeting after the first of the year.

Dave Chase, DRC Consulting LLC – Reviewed NACEE's Organizations Assessment Tool and gave direction on how we can filter out the information that is most useful. B

- Our next steps are to chart out most relevant content
- Focus on areas scored 3 or below.
- Score the statements that are 3 or below as a group. Decide if it is relevant to NACEE.
  - 1 Yes, 2 not immediate, 3 can wait or value but not now.
- From the three list created work with Dave to decide short, medium and long range plans.
  - Make it a level of work that is doable

We will meet with Dave again to decide on our next step for NACEE once our lists are created.

Next steps: Section of the OAT were divided up to Board members, Jamie, Russanne, Sarah, Stephanie, Amanda, Monica, Matt.

## Old Business

Nonprofit Association of the Midlands – Stephanie has membership. Russanne will work with her for any needed resources. \$50 for an annual membership. Would be a benefit to the organization as we are looking to update our strategic plan.

## **New Business:**

Jamie shared the idea of having a book club for NACEE members, the EE community was suggested by past board member Andrea Faas. Her suggestion was to read "The Art of Relevance" by Nina Simon. Andrea notes: "She turned around the Santa Cruz Art and History Museum by making her organization inclusive. It wasn't easy but now serves its community."

- While this does not have to be a NACEE sponsored book club Jamie will look at setting up a once a month or twice a month book club virtual meet up to discuss sections of the book. Please share your ideas for future books to read or topics to discuss during the virtual meetings up (if they become a more regular event).

Next meeting: October 22, 12:00 pm (Mountain Time) | Host: Amanda Filipi/Wild Cat Hills