

# Wisconsin Conservation Congress

## Y.C.C. Oversight Committee

### Meeting Minutes



ORDER OF BUSINESS	3/24/2018	9:30 AM	Schmeckle Reserve, Stevens Point, WI
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#### I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

##### A. CALL TO ORDER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	Trent Tonn at 9:30 AM
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##### B. ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Jason Brazzele, Jin Heffner, Terri Roehrig, Kevin Smaby, Trent Tonn
EXCUSED	Linda DeNell, Don Dukershein, Tashina Peplinski
UNEXCUSED	None
GUESTS	Frank Pratt, Kari-Lee Zimmermann

##### C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION	Previewed the agenda.
ACTION	Motion to approve the agenda made by Kevin Smaby, Seconded by Jim Heffner. Agenda approved.

##### D. REVIEW COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT

DISCUSSION	Mission statement was reviewed. Committee felt no need for changes at this time.
ACTION	Motion to leave the mission statement as is was made by Kevin Smaby. Seconded by Terri Roehrig. Approved.

##### E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

DISCUSSION	No public comments.
ACTION	No actions taken.

#### II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

##### A. REVIEW AND DISCUSS PROGRESS OF YCC DELEGATE AND MENTOR RECRUITMENT

N/A

DISCUSSION	The committee discussed what was working and what was not working in their efforts to drum up support for delegate mentors and in finding youth to work with mentors who have already showed interest in being a mentor. Kevin Smaby spoke about efforts made in the LaCrosse region. He was finding little support through the school systems that he contacted in efforts to find potential youth delegates. Frank Pratt and Jim Heffner, spoke about successful efforts they had been having in the northern part of the state. Jim Heffner was able to recruit several youth delegates and connect them to WCC delegate mentors via a personal phone calls. Terri Roehrig and Jason Brazzele, discussed continued efforts to talk with guidance counselors, science teachers, and administrators within schools to find potential YCC delegates. Committee members will continue to make efforts to talk with delegates and youth to make connections and promote mentorship. Motion was made to have the YCC and mentor status of the counties and the district be a standing agenda item at the spring and fall district meetings by Jason Brazzele, seconded by Jim Heffner. Approved
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	The committee will work on creating a framework of YCC and mentor questions for the district chairmen to follow at the district meetings.
<b>ACTION</b>	YCC Status added to fall and spring district level meeting agendas. Creation of scripted questions about the YCC for district chairmen to follow at the district meetings.
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Kari-Lee Zimmermann/Trent Tonn	Fall District Meetings

**B. FINALIZATION OF THE CONVENTION SCHEDULE AS PERTAINING TO THE YOUTH**

**N/A**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The committee discussed schedule activities for the youth delegates and their mentors for the annual convention. Thursday evening's event time would run from 6-9 pm. Pizza dinner being served from 6-7 pm. Kevin Smaby and Terri Roehrig volunteered to order the pizza for the youth and to supervise the evening's event. Frank Pratt and Bob Hasse volunteer to do a training session for the youth on tying flies and making in line spinners from 7-9pm. Frank and Bob have agreed to donate all the supplies needed. Bob Hasse will be asking delegates who know how to tie flies to help with the training. Youth how are trained on Thursday evening will be asked to train other youth and delegates on Friday night. Kari will send out an email to encourage delegates to interact with the youth at the convention. Youth will be asked to eat right away at noon so they can leave at 12:45 for their field trip to Cat Island. The field trip will go from 1:00-3:30 and will be a walking and driving tour of the natural area. The committee members discussed who would be available to drive, and how many youth could be driven by those individuals to Cat Island. Being done by 3:30 would allow travel time and get the youth back to meet from 4-5 pm with the various DNR department heads for discussion about their jobs. Saturday evening's social would start after the banquet and go until 10:30 pm. Trent Tonn, Jim Heffner, and Frank Pratt, volunteered to supervise and run Friday night's events, once again having the youth tie flies and make spinners. Trent Tonn will create a t-shirt design form and bring supplies for youth to use on Friday night. Youth and their mentors would be asked to attend the breakfast meeting at 7:30 on Saturday to discuss Google Calendar and its use for YCC events.
<b>ACTION</b>	Kari-Lee Zimmermann will add the YCC events to the annual convention schedule and notify the delegates and youth of the scheduled events. Kevein Smaby and Terri Roehrig will order pizza on Thursday. Frank Pratt and Bob Hasse will donate supplies and train the youth at the convention. Trent Tonn will create a t-shirt design form and bring drawing supplies to the convention.
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Kari-Lee Zimmermann, Kevin Smaby, Terri Roehrig, Frank Pratt, Bob Hasse Trent Tonn	Annual Convention

**C. REVIEW OF 10 MINUTE PRESENTATION AT THE CONVENTION**

**N/A**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The committee briefly discussed points that should be included in a short over-view presentation to the delegation about what this committee has accomplished over the past year, and what needs to be done moving forward. Trent Tonn volunteered to speak and asked for Tashina Peplinski help in creating a power point presentation.
<b>ACTION</b>	Trent Tonn will speak at the convention and Tashina Peplinski will help to create a power point.
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Trent Tonn/Tashina Peplinski	Annual Convention

**D. REVIEW OF SATURDAY MORNING'S PRESENTATION AT THE CONVENTION**

**N/A**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The committee briefly discussed points that should be included in the mentor training meeting that will be held on Saturday morning of the annual convention from 7:30-8:30 am. Terri Roehrig created a code of conduct for mentors that explains some of their roles and responsibilities. The committee discussed this list, made changes and additions. Terri Roehrig will send out an updated version of the mentor's code of conduct. Terri Roehrig volunteered to present the code of conduct at the meeting. The committee discussed having all forms printed out and available for mentors at the meeting, Trent Tonn volunteered to make the copies and start the presentation on Saturday. The suggestion was made to have full name, birth date, and question asking potential mentors for permission to do a background check added to the delegate profile. Terri Roehrig has volunteered to run background
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	checks on all current and future mentors sometime after the annual convention. A discussion was had about notifying Kari of youth that are no longer active or who have aged out the YCC program.
<b>ACTION</b>	Terri Roehrig will up date the mentor code of conduct. Trent Tonn will start the Saturday morning presentation and have hand outs for the mentors. Terri Roehrig will do background checks after the annual convention.
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Trent Tonn/Terri Roehrig	Annual Convention /Mid June

### E. IMPLEMENTATION OF GOOGLE CALENDAR

N/A

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The committee discussed having a step by step hand out available on Saturday for the mentors and the youth on how to use Google Calendar for the purpose of organizing youth events. The suggestion was made that we have examples of up coming events already on the Google Calendar, so the mentors can see what its going to look like. Frank Pratt, and Trent Tonn, talked about events they have already planned and that could be added to the calendar. Trent Tonn notified the committee that Tashina Peplinski was willing to do the Google Calendar training at the convention.
<b>ACTION</b>	Tashina Peplinski will hold the Google Calendar training session on Saturday morning for the mentors and youth.
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Tashina Peplinski	Annual Convention

### F. UPDATING YCC FORMS

N/A

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The committee was asked to think about anything that needed to be updated on YCC forms. It was suggested that the forms reflect the committee's decision to allow youth to participate in YCC events until September 1 <sup>st</sup> after the year they graduate from high school. The change allows these individuals to take part in YCC events through the summer and before they head off to college or career. Kari-Lee Zimmermann said she could do that.
<b>ACTION</b>	Kari-Lee Zimmermann was asked to update the wording on the on line YCC form.
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Kari-Lee Zimmermann	As soon as possible.

### G. YCC INVOLVMENT AT MOHEE

N/A

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The committee discussed getting YCC delegates involved in the MOHEE. Could the youth work with Dale Moss and the other delegates in the WCC tent? Or could they have their own tent and do some sort of presentation on their own? Trent Tonn volunteered to find out if there are youth and or mentors interests in participating in this year's MOHEE, and if so, would contact Dale Moss. Terri Roehrig made a motion to ask the "Friends of the WCC" to cover the cost of printing YCC t-shirts for the convention and for the youth to wear at events like MOHEE. Jason Brazzele seconded, approved.
<b>ACTION</b>	Trent Tonn will see if there is an interest in youth attending MOHEE. Trent Tonn /Kari-Lee Zimmerman will talk with Rob Bauman about money for youth t-shirts.
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Trent Tonn/Kari-Lee Zimmermann	Annual Convention

## III. MEMBERS MATTERS

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Terri Roehrig suggested that the committee have a meeting with the leadership council to discuss funding of a youth conservation congress coordinator. Kari-Lee Zimmermann mentioned that she thought she might know more about the potential funding of a coordinator position by the end of May. Frank Pratt suggested that we begin to have the youth delegates think about getting together to create their own youth resolution for the next spring DNR hearings. Kevin Smaby thought that getting the youth together over the summer to work on the drafting of a youth resolution would be a good idea. Trent Tonn asked if the committee wanted to set their next meeting date and the committee decide to wait until a later date. Motion to adjourn made by Kevin Smaby, and seconded by Jason Brazzele
<b>ACTION</b>	Trent Tonn will schedule the next meeting via email.

#### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

<b>MEETING ADJOURNED</b>	<b>2:35 pm</b>
<b>SUBMITTED BY</b>	<b>Trent Tonn3</b>
<b>DATE</b>	<b>3/24/2018</b>