Governor Martin O'Malley's

Maryland Partnership for Children in Nature

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January 30, 2014 – Quarterly Partnership Meeting

Held at the <u>Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center</u> 600 Discovery Lane, Grasonville, MD 21638

Agenda

10:00 - 10:10 Welcome, introductions, overview - Frank Dawson / Britt Slattery, DNR

10:10 – 11:40 Addressing the Standards...What Does It Look Like in Practice?

Maryland State Department of Education: Gary Hedges, Science Specialist; George Newberry, STEM Coordinator; JoAnn Roberts, Disciplinary Literacy Specialist

An interactive presentation to explore how formal educators can collaborate with nonformal EE providers to develop effective lesson strategies that address the standards in various education reform efforts.

Discussion

11:40 – 11:55 Partnership Actions – overview of 2013 work and plans for 2014 – Britt Slattery, DNR

11:55 – 12:00 Announcements

12:00 Adjourn

Upcoming Partnership meetings:

- April 23 with Leadership Team, Howard County Conservancy, Belmont Facility, Elkridge (How. Co)
- July 17, Arlington Echo, Millersville (AA Co)
- October 22 with Leadership Team, Alice Ferguson Foundation (new green building!), Accokeek (PG Co)

Thank you to the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center for hosting us today!

Upcoming events/ dates:

- Jan 31 Audubon's Youth Bird Watching in Patterson Park (no school this day), 8 10 a.m., register.
- Feb 5 <u>Mid-Atlantic Farm-Based Educators Network (FBEN) workshop</u>, at Pennsylvania Association of Sustainable Agriculture Conference, State College, PA.
- Feb 6-9 2014 MAEOE Conference, Ocean City, MD.
- Mar 2 Unity Gardens, author Doug Tallamy lecture/reception 2:00-5:30, Annapolis, register.
- Mar 12 FBEN workshop at Montpelier Farms, Prince Georges County, MD.
- Mar 16 <u>FBEN workshop</u> at Maryland Agricultural Resource Center, MD.
- Mar 28 Student essays due for 5th Annual Craig Tufts Educational Essay Scholarship competition (guidelines and requirements), National Wildlife Federation. Win a trip to summer outdoor adventure camp.
- Apr 15 <u>Stockhom Junior Water Prize</u> submission deadline (international high school water-related science competition, big prizes!)
- Apr 23 Partnership for Children In Nature membership and Leadership Team meetings, Elkridge.