

Project Green Classrooms
Leadership Team / Membership Meeting
Theme: Keeping people engaged with the environment during a pandemic

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

held virtually via Google Meet meet.google.com/mso-vwub-zsr

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Agenda

(10 min.) Welcome/ Introductions, Opening Remarks

- Jeannie Haddaway-Riccio, Secretary, Department of Natural Resources
- Bruce Lesh on behalf of Dr. Carol Williamson, Maryland State Department of Education

(50 min.) Current Situation

- Schools: New practices in learning platforms and challenges
 - Using distance learning to deliver environmental education -- Bart Merrick, NOAA
 - Pairing schools w/ environmental education community resources -- Tara Baker Drennan, CBT and Laura Collard, MAEOE
- Outside of schools: Facilitating people's growing engagement with nature
 - Walktober -- Sandi Olek, DNR / Phil Wilson, MDOT
 - MD State Parks adapted and new activities -- Melissa Boyle-Acuti, DNR Maryland Park Service
- Q/A and Discussion

(45 min.) PGC Business

- Looking Back: Highlights of Committee Achievements:
 - Preparing Pre-Service Teachers for Environmental Literacy -- Kirsten Jackson, MSDE
 - Conservation Careers, young professionals job portal and new careers guide -- Trystan Sill, DNR
 - Chesapeake Nature Play & Learning Conference and community green space guidance -- Sandi Olek, DNR
 - Maryland's "MWEE 201" and Facilitators' Guide -- Bart Merrick, NOAA
 - Annual Report preparation and timeline -- Britt Slattery, DNR
- Looking Forward: Environmental Literacy Actions 2021-2022
Chesapeake Bay Program Environmental Literacy Plan and PGC workplan
 - Overview -- Shannon Sprague, NOAA
 - Environmental Literacy academic guidance -- Kirsten Jackson, MSDE
 - Outdoor access and nonformal ELit -- Britt Slattery, DNR

(5 min.) Announcements from the floor

(5 min.) Closing Remarks -- co-chairs