Willamette Valley Broadband

Leadership Team Meeting

4/7/20

Via Zoom

Hello Everyone!

Quick check-in - Cyndi asked everyone to check in with what they last ate plus the name of their high school mascot to identify their pandemic alter egos.

Beth - Egg Coyote

Carol - Peach Wolf

Chandra - Cookie Raider

Cyndi - Granola Falcon

Marjorie - Toast Viking

Maya - Orange Little Giant

**The forwarding email situation** - we need to set guidelines for who forwards what and how. With so,so,so much happening on-line now the forwarded emails can easily overwhelm and be lost and also redundant. Here are the two main takeaways:

• Send topics related to any of our three interest areas to the appropriate interest area leader. They will decide what to do with it.

• Include a short personal message to introduce anything you forward and edit the subject to make it more appealing and attention grabbing.

**Zoom stuff** - Cyndi purchased a pro plan for $14.99 a month. She can start any meeting then give others the co-host power to manage things.

**Event listing** request from Katya

*I know your three Broadbands have sent out spring event lists recently, post-COVID, for your Broadbands. I just wanted to remind you to please add those events to our Broadband events page on the Broads website.*

*Web events can still be added! Please don't include the actual webinar link in the event info (because this is a public webpage and you don't want trollers/hackers) but instead ask for RSVPs to send the webinar link to.*

We need to remember to do this. Who ever is in charge of an event or activity please post on the website's event listing. We discussed the difficulty in including photos and that has discouraged the practice.

**Interest Group Updates**

**Climate Crisis - Beth**

Beth asked Carol if she could put the Francis talk on our FaceBook page. Beth participated in the Jordan Cove BRAT call on 4/6. They talked about showing the recorded version in a group setting when we can have gatherings again then follow it with a question and answer session with guests like Francis.

There are currently 15 signed up in this Google Group.

**Forests - Chandra**

Chandra had 3 new folks join as a result of the information sent out with the calendar. She plans to set up a "meeting" in her first email

**Rivers & Salmon - Maya**

Maya joined a March 25 BRAT call. Annie, the bus driver from Eugene who attended the winter social went to the March for Dams kick-off. EIS deadline for comments for breaching the lower Snake River dams is April 13. Maya will send out information again encouraging people to send in comments

**Advocacy Night on Monday, April 13**

 *The public is locked out of public lands while logging, mining and gas projects move forward. What can we do? Who do we write?*

Chandra will introduce the topic and put together talking points. We'll limit it to one hour. Do introductions to give name and town and include email addresses to mail comments to. Cyndi will set up the Zoom meeting, send out the invitation to the Broadband and act as host. In the invitation be sure to include language to emphasize this new way of connecting is still connecting and that this is for everyone regardless what part of the valley you come from.

**Activity reports**

Keep doing them even for time spent emailing. Cyndi will do this meeting.

**Maya's hikes**

No one has reached out since we put that option out in the calendar. Maya might pull together some resources about hikes and hiking during the pandemic.

**Doing SOMETHING for Earth Day on April 22**

Discussed what our Broadband can do. One idea is to encourage everyone to make signs to put in front of your house then send us a photo. Carol will put together this plan and get it out before April 22.

**Carol's Book Broads First Meeting**

Braiding Sweet grass is the first book and the meeting will be May 1. Carol will send out an invitation. Cyndi will set up the Zoom meeting.

Cyndi will send the link to OR Wild's Secret Life of Beavers presentation to Carol.

**Rendezvous in May**

Cyndi and Carol will be on a call tomorrow to determine what's happening. Chandra wondered how much time would be involved if the whole thing was done virtually. She's really most interested in the BRAT meeting and Climate stewardship education parts.

**What else?**

Marjorie feels that we need to add members to our leadership team to spread out the work. We've lost three of the original nine. We discussed actually doing a Broadband meeting thru Zoom. We discussed offering up leadership team positions in an email or a meeting.

**How often shall we meet and when do we want to have our next one?**

For now we'll meet monthly. Next meeting is Sunday, May 3 at 5:00 via Zoom. Cyndi will set it up.