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Education and Outreach sub-committee
June 3, 2024 Minutes

Called to order at 4:35pm – Zoom meeting

In attendance: Dan Bowler (Hartland), Roger Behrens (Barkhamsted), Matt Vinick (Canton), Stephan Bastryzcki (River Steward), Laura Hart (FRWA), Mario Santoro (Barkhamsted)

Quilt

Laura to reach out to New Britain Museum of American Art, via contact there. Also will reach out to contact at CT Science Center.

Publications:

- a. **Stickers** – approved the round ‘No Glass No Trash’ sticker and the tree sticker. Laura to price out then order.
- b. **Monofilament receptacle signs** to be redesigned by Stephan
- c. **Kiosks:** Mary is working on Goodwin Dam and Collinsville (last two). Whole committee to see all final drafts soon. 2 new kiosk options at Nepaug Forest entrances (202 and Ramp Rd). Mountain biking group to fund one, potential for FRCC to fund one. Lots of visibility, and good partnerships between the State, CFPA, mountain bike group, and FRCC. **To bring up to full committee.**
- d. Need to check **water map** 2020 version to see if we need to order more.
- e. **FALPS map** request to come soon for funding support to re-print.

Outreach Events:

- a. June 21 – **Paddling Film Festival**, hosted by CCK at Brewery Legitimus as a benefit for FRWA, sponsored by FRCC. Doors open at 6:30, films at 7pm. Laura to send email blast for this.
- b. **June 28 Paddle** with FRCC and DEEP, Dan is organizing. Waiting on full people count for boat count. Church Pool car drop, up to Whittimore. Need photographer. Pete Aarrestad has reached out to Mason Trumble, Deputy Commissioner.
- c. FRCC Canoe update: Brittle, hull could crack – needs gunnels, yoke, thwart, and decks. Because of its age, may be hard to find replacement parts.

River Steward: Jr. River Ranger Booklets being revised with Brigitte, 2nd draft of design presented, moving forward Thursday meeting for reviews. More requests for booklets and badges, will need to order some old ones until new version is ready to print. Option to print at Goulet for new version once ready, as NPS printing will take 3 months.

River Stewards: 4 returning stewards, and 3 new hires started June 2. Stephan to design a popup display. Paddling dates and events scheduled for the summer.

Other: none