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Education and Outreach sub-committee
February 3, 2025 Minutes

4pm Map meeting – Dan, Roger, Mario, Stephan, Laura, Ciara

- Reviewed new map – change icons to smaller ones, add rapid below hogback dam, group to review version and provide edits to Stephan
- Notes from last meeting:
 - o *Title of the map, and its purpose, is as an overview guide of the recreational opportunities*
 - o *Organize map info section by rec category*
 - o *Check access points with new map*

In attendance: Dan Bowler (Hartland and subcommittee Chair), Laura Hart (FRWA), Stephan Bastryzcki (River Steward), Ciara Kilkenny (FRWA), Mario Santoro (Barkhamsted), Roger Behrens (Barkhamsted)

Called to order by Dan at 4:32pm

Quilt: Planning joint display both quilts together at Kingswood School in West Hartford in September

- Coordinate for the LOB – would be good to have a joint opening at the Capitol – Dan to email Mike and MaryPat
- New hanging system for descriptions need to get done, per MaryPat’s specifications
- **MaryPat will need the quilt to redo the hanging system for the descriptions this summer – no shows can be scheduled then.**

Publications:

- a. **Water Map** – working group Dan, Roger, Stephan, Laura, Ciara. See notes above.
 - a. Next working group meeting **4pm on March 3**
- b. **Posters** have arrived –waiting on quote from Brigitte for roll-up banner design. Roll-up banner itself costs about \$220
- c. **6 Monofilament receptacle signs** waiting on proof
- d. **Annual Report** in draft stage, Laura to send draft around soon.

Outreach Events:

- **River Rocks New Hartford**, will be approaching soon regarding this event. June 21 at the Hurley property (across river from Town Hall). River Steward team will be tabling the event.
- River Day set for September 17, grant proposal coming from Barkhamsted School soon

River Stewards: Application open now until end of March. Hoping for 6-8 stewards, working 16 to 24 hrs per week.

Other: none

Budget: Looked into what we had to move over in E&O budget line items this past fiscal year to help us better plan for 2026 workplan. Mainly, mileage reimbursement category for River Stewards. Upped River Steward program from \$56,000 to \$60,000, and increased Outreach to \$3,000, noting most grant proposals coming to E&O would be from the Grants budget. All are in favor of proposed draft.

Next subcommittee meeting March 3 at 4:30pm – Adjourned meeting at 4:57pm.