



FARMINGTON RIVER COORDINATING COMMITTEE

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Education and Outreach sub-committee

April 7, 2025 Minutes

In attendance: Dan Bowler (Hartland and subcommittee Chair), Laura Hart (FRWA), Ciara Kilkenny (FRWA), Mario Santoro (Barkhamsted), Matt Vinick (Canton), Stephan Bastrzycki (River Steward)

Called to order by Dan at 4:31pm

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

- Send official invitations from FRCC and LFSWS to contacts at New Britain Museum of American Art
- Matt to reach out to his contact
- Lower Quilt's first showing April 26-27

Publications:

- Water Map. Map is ready, Stephan to send to Brigitte. First step to decide map size (same as last time, or smaller like FALPS). No decision was made. Laura to check access points with new recreation maps.
- All 6 monofilament receptacle signs are up.

Grants:

- **The Barkhamsted School requests \$5,000 for the River Day event.** Laura moves to approve, Mario 2nds. Passed unanimously.
- **Barkhamsted Earth Day Nature Festival 10th anniversary requests \$1,200.** Laura moves to approve, Matt 2nds. Passed unanimously.
- **New Hartford Land Trust requests \$1,000 for Riparian Rhapsody at River Rocks event.** Matt moves to approve, Laura 2nds.

River Stewards: 2 previous River Stewards to return, seeking more applicants. Hoping to have 5 at the 24 hours per week schedule. Reporting tubing numbers still important, but counter option not feasible. Discussion to involved DEEP again to find out numbers from Jeremy.

Other: Dan and Paula Saaf to plan 2 paddling days for both W&S committees (one on the upper, one on the lower).

Next subcommittee meeting May 5 at 4:30pm – Adjourned meeting at 5:22pm