

**Executive Steering Council
Action Items
February 11, 2009
Technology Innovation Center (map attached)
Room 114**

Welcome and Introductions

Scott Mathie, Reggie Newson, Neil Palmer, Dan Stoeffel. excused; Karen Sands for Kevin Shafer—MMSD. Larry Nelson, Mayor of Waukesha, Daniel Duchniak, Waukesha Water Utility, Jeff Edstrom and Bill Warp, Geosyntec Consultants, Bill McClenahan, Martin Schreiber & Associates, Mark Mittag, CH2MHILL, Melissa Scanlan and Jamie Saul, Midwest Environmental Advocates were guests

- 1) **Review January 14th Meeting Action Items-** Accepted.
- 2) **Presentation by City of Waukesha Water Utility.** The Water Utility would like to work with and complement SWWT's work if Waukesha's proposal for a diversion is approved. The ESC will not endorse the material presented. The ESC will convene a small sub-committee to develop a scope for and provide guidance to the Science Committee, and WATs will review this issue. SWWT will then refer Duchniak to the technical people (Science Committee) because the issue impacts the development of the WRPs. .
- 3) **Presentation of draft "Legal and Policy Options for Watershed Restoration in Southeastern Wisconsin."** The Policy Advisory Committee will follow up on the options presented and coordinate with the Water Action Teams. The Policy Committee will have on-going support, such as this work from MEA, from the NGOs. MMSD is forming a group of interested parties to look at the trading issue. This will be a sub-group under the Policy Advisory Committee (see below).
- 4) **Discussion of Formation of Policy Advisory Committee**
Peter McAvoy will chair the Policy Advisory Committee. Ann Beier, Mike Hahn, Henry Hamilton, Andy Holschbach, Pat Marchese and Kevin Shafer will form an ad hoc committee to assist McAvoy in forming the Committee and identifying people to serve on the Committee. **The Advocacy Policy from the Policy and Procedures document will be emailed around and copied on the back of all future Executive Steering Council agendas.** The group looking into trading options will be a sub-group of the Policy Committee but will include both policy and science. McAvoy will share information between Policy and Science Committees and the ESC.

Put issue of phosphorus ban on April 8th agenda for discussion.
- 5) **Discussion of Formation of Fundraising Committee**
 - Need for Committee
 - Committee leadership
 - Committee membership

Tabled until the April 8th meeting.

**6) Discussion of Background Summary; Linked goals; 3-year plan
Tabled until the April 8th meeting.**

7) Status Reports:

a. Sweet Water Trust Website – Nancy Frank

Tabled until April 8th meeting.

b. Joyce Foundation Grant – Peter McAvoy

Joyce grant has been reviewed by the Foundation staff and they are pleased with the revised budget.

8) Chairman's Report

ESC meeting schedule: Several ESC members are unable to meet on Wednesday afternoons. Marchese will email around some alternative days/times for the ESC meetings.

Mini-Grant program implemented and awarded. Attached press release posted on webpage and emailed.

Proposal for the Lake Michigan Partners website: The ESC will take over the Lake Michigan Partners website for this year, make sure that the website domain gets renewed and then have technical people look into incorporating into SWWT or another website. Marchese will make a donation to cover the domain name renewal for one year.

Watershed ActionTeam update: Ben Gramling, Sixteenth Street Community Health Center and Ben Sykes, Foley and Lardner, are WAT co-chairs for the Kinnickinnic River Watershed. Cheryl Nenn, Milwaukee Riverkeeper and Gail Epping Overholt, formerly of UW-Extension are WAT co-chairs for the Menomonee River Watershed. Bernadette will continue to work with the co-chairs to facilitate the meetings.

9) Executive Steering Council Topic Briefings

None

10)Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 8, 2009

11) Meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm