

AGENDA

Board of Wildlife Resources
Education, Planning, and Outreach Committee
7870 Villa Park Drive, Board Room
Henrico, Virginia 23228

August 16, 2023
3:00 pm

Committee Members: Mr. Mike Formica, Chair, Mr. John Daniel, Dr. Mamie Parker

DWR Staff Liaison: Mr. Bob Smet

1. Call to Order and Welcome
Mr. Daniel
2. Approval of May 24, 2023 Meeting Minutes **Final Action**
Mr. Daniel
3. Public Comment – Non- Agenda Item
Mr. Daniel
4. Virginia State University Aquaculture Program
Dr. Nick Romano
5. Environmental Education Centers
Mr. Bob Smet
6. DWRs Wildlife Cams
Ms. Meagan Thomas and Ms. Courtney Hallacher
7. Leadership Development
Mr. Jeff Trollinger
8. DWR Outdoor Afro Event Update
Mr. George Braxton

9. Outreach Division
Mr. Bob Smet
10. Director's Report
Mr. Ryan Brown
11. Chair's Report
Mr. Daniel
12. Additional Business/Comments
Mr. Daniel
13. Next Meeting Date: To Be Determined
Mr. Daniel
14. Adjournment
Mr. Daniel

Draft Meeting Minutes

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Present: Dr. Mamie Parker, **Chair:** Mr. George Terwilliger, Mr. John Daniel, **Absent:** Mr. Michael Formica; **Board members present:** Mr. Leon Boyd, Mr. G. K. Washington, Mr. Jon Cooper, Ms. Tammy Franklin (virtual); Executive **Director:** Mr. Ryan Brown; **Deputy Directors:** Ms. Becky Gwynn and Mr. Darin Moore; **Director's Working Group:** Dr. Mike Bednarski, Mr. Tom Guess, Mr. Bob Smet, Mr. George Braxton, Colonel John Cobb.

The Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 3:45 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Chair noted for the record that a quorum was present for the meeting.

Approval of the March 15, 2023, Meeting Minutes: The Chair called for a motion to approve the March 15, 2023, Committee meeting minutes. Mr. Daniel made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2023, committee meeting minutes and Dr. Parker seconded the motion. Ayes, Parker, Terwilliger, and Daniel

Public Comment – Non-Agenda Item: The Chair called for Public Comments on Non –Agenda Items, hearing none, the Chair continued with the meeting.

Explore the Wild Web App: The Chair called on Mr. David Murr for an update.

Mr. David Murr gave an update on the Explore the Wild Web App.

After comments and questions, the Chair thanked Mr. Murr for his update.

Hunting Education Outreach Strategy: The Chair called on Mr. Brian Moyer for an update.

Mr. Moyer gave an update on the Hunting Education Outreach Strategy and introduced Mr. Jimmy Mootz as the newly hired Hunter Education Coordinator.

After comments and questions, the Chair thanked Mr. Moyer for his update.

Update: One Shot Turkey Hunt: The Chair called on Mr. Bob Smet for an Update. Mr. Smet gave an update on the 7th Annual One-Shot Turkey Hunt.

After comments and questions, the Chair thanked Mr. Smet for his update.

Virginia Wildlife Viewing Plan Update: The Chair called on Ms. Jessica Ruthenberg for an update.

Ms. Ruthenberg gave a two-year review of the Virginia Wildlife Viewing Plan.

After comments and questions, the Chair thanked Ms. Ruthenberg for her update.

Outreach Division Update: The Chair called on Mr. Bob Smet.

Mr. Smet Reported:

- Free Fishing Days – June 2-4, 2023
- Virginia Hunt Education Association - 120 Youth Attended
- VA Elk Hunt Lottery Sweepstakes
- Rappahannock National Safe & Boating Week – May 20-26, 2023 Festival
- Upper Mattaponi Indian POW WOW
- Riverrock Event in downtown Richmond, VA

Director's Report: The Chair called on Mr. Ryan Brown for his Director's Report.

The Director reported:

- Thanked the Outreach Staff for their updates and information.
- Appreciates all of Outreach's work out in the public
- Excited to see the Elk planning coming along

Chair's Report:

The Chair thanked all the Board members and Director Brown for the work that is being done by this agency.

The Chair asked if anyone had any further questions or comments and hearing none, the Chair announced the next meeting will be Wednesday, August 16, 2023, and adjourned the meeting at 4:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Frances Boswell