

MACDEO – 9/19/13 Area Rep Conference Call

Attendees: Lori Zeiser, Dave Martin - DNRC, Barbra Berry, Marlene Moon, Teresa Wilhelm, Leona Gollen, Jeff & Jan – MACD, Cheryl Miller, Guelda Halverson, Denise Thompson, Carie Hess, Julie Ralston.

Meeting called to order by Guelda at ~10:15am

Guelda said money was sent from the EO to the Ronald McDonald house in Penny's name.

Teresa gave up date on the EO Fund Raiser – tickets to CD's in annual meeting packets-each CD Administrator is asked to sell 20 tickets – it needs to be stressed that the money generated from this raffle is to help fund administrator trainings – trainings that are hosted by the MACDEO, but not limited to EO members, all administrators are welcome and encouraged to attend the trainings as well as CD Supervisors that are directly involved with the administration of conservation district business. The winner of the raffle will receive \$500 and the administrator or CD that sells the most tickets @\$5 each will receive a \$100 cash/check prize – you do not need to be present to win. The 50/50 & raffle tickets will once again be offered through-out the convention. Both drawings will be at the banquet – 50/50 raffle drawing – you must be present to win.

Teresa gave update on EO Event, an e-mail was sent out to the Area Reps, etc. with the budget and a brief outline of the planned event –Guelda & Marlene at money table – Dave, Lori, & Cheryl - bar tenders

Convention meeting in Great Falls at the hotel 10/8/13?

Marlene – both live and silent auction will be handled by MACD with the help from EO members – the planning committee is asking for items for both the silent and live auctions, no packages unless the fall in a \$200→\$300 suggested retail. They are also asking to please consider gifts head of time and send a full descriptions of the items, the suggested retail and pictures to Marlene – by week before convention because they will do a “bucket list” deadline November 8th. They would like to be able to have the items pre-numbered they can have the tags ready when you arrive – they would also like to have the description and photo early so they can determine if the item(s) should be in the silent auction or the live, and they also plan on doing a power point with the photos so the people in the back of the room can see the items when the bidding begins. Please drop off at registration as soon as you arrive –

Carie will bring lap-top - and will do the Power Point for live auction.

Dave gave an update on the Capacity Grant - 60 to 70 % of capacity grant money has been spent – training sub-committee – Carie Hess, Kodi Olsen, (Area I) EO Area reps are asked to talk to administrators in their areas to find out who wants to be on the sub-committee-1 or 2 administrators from each area is a good starting point, also please be reminded that this is something that is open to all administrators and CD staff – the annual and biennial trainings and workshops are open to all interested including supervisors, the MACDEO is the host for the trainings – Dave will send out a description of what we are looking for on the sub-committee so others will know what will be expected of them.

Barbara Berry will be retiring effective October 1, 2013 (Area I) and Area III needs another representative.

Lori will get with Area V Administrators to get photos, etc. for the display board example and Dave and Ross will do a mock-up display board for the convention this year – the plan is to have the example for the EO meeting and plan on having one for each Area to be used to highlight the conservation districts at various events – the EO will have the example to work with and decide if they will have a CD apply for a grant to purchase the displays – it was decided that if the displays are purchased they would be the type that the information can be changed and updated regularly.

Remind to send photos to Laurie for video at convention!