

Meeting Notes
Partnership for the Saginaw Bay Watershed
Eutrophication Task Group Meeting
Education/Outreach Committee

Partnership for the Saginaw Bay Watershed Board Members are:

Taylor Brook – Director

Jim Hergott- Director

Robin Oeming – Director

Dennis Zimmerman - Secretary

Zygmunt Dworzecki - Director

Elan Lipschitz - Director

Glenn Rowley – Director

Pete Frauson- Treasurer

Laura Ogar-Vice-Chair

Bill Wright – Chair

December 3, 2018 9 am to 10 am

Bay County Building - 3rd Floor Personnel Conference Room

515 Center Street Bay City, Michigan

- *Fourth meeting of the Task Group for Eutrophication. This is the second official meeting of the Education/Outreach Committee.*
 - **Summary of Meeting's Action items:**
 - **Strieter** to work with articles drafted by **Brook, Gass and Dworzecki** on phosphorus usage to ensure consistency in our message.
 - **Brook** and **Gass** could co-host an MSU Article in the future.
 - Next Meeting of the Education/Outreach Committee is January 7th. 9 am to 10 am
Bay County Building - 3rd Floor Personnel Conference Room, 515 Center Street, Bay City, Michigan
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Chair Wright convened the meeting at 9:02 am

Team Members present included: **Brook, Dworzecki, Frauson, Wright and Zimmerman.**
Gass attended *by phone*. Also attending were: **Jo Ellen Strieter** - Administrative Contractor.

Motion by Zimmerman to approve the meeting notes of our Group Eutrophication Task Group Meeting from November 5, 2018. **Motion seconded by Frauson. Motion carried without dissent.**

Education/Outreach

Wright opened with discussion on newsletter articles presented by **Brook, Gass** and **Dworzecki** on phosphorus usage. Strieter will work with the articles to produce consistency. We are continuing to package our information to deduce the input of phosphorus to Saginaw Bay. We are targeting farmers, homeowners and bay front property owners to educate them on the importance of reducing pollutants to the bay. It was suggested that we should look at the information provided by Bay County Storm Water Authority and that the Drain commissioner could also provide us with information.

Dworzecki suggested going to the website <https://nocafos.org> for some additional information and supporting sustainable agriculture.

Zimmerman passed around information including Saginaw Bay National Watershed Initiative Communication Fact Sheets from 1993 - 1995; Michigan State Extension articles from the 1980's; Opportunities for Water Resource Protection in Local Plans, Ordinances, and Programs – August 2002; The Smart Watershed Benchmarking Tool – 2006; Nitrate

Contaminations – March 1989; Practical Tips for Home and Yard – undated; Shoreline Plants and Landscaping – undated; Filling the Gaps Environmental Protection Options for Local Governments – 2003 and other documents

Our Next Steps: Develop consistent language on our articles. **Gass** and **Brook** could co-host an MSU Article.

Next meeting will be held January 7th at 9 am.

Motion by Zimmerman to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 am, **seconded by Dworzecki**

Respectfully submitted, Jo Ellen Strieter, Administrative Contractor

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