NCF-Envirothon Operating Committee Meeting August 31, 2021, 1:00 p.m. EDT VIA ZOOM

Millie called meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. EDT

Roll Call – Andrea called roll: Present: Jennifer Brooks, Stephanie Tolar, Karla Maldonado, Brooke Myres, Millie Langley, Andrea McKeown, Wendee Dodds, Carrie Milligan, Mark Hedge, Becky Geneau, Jacqueline Monteith, Shonny Nordlund

 Approval of May 2021 and July 2021 minute approval – A spelling correction is needed for the May minutes. 2021 Virtual testing platform is Inspera (misspelled)

Wendee moved to approve the May 2021 minutes with corrections and the July 2021 minutes. Carrie 2^{nd} , motion carried.

- Board Membership Updates
- Member Terms Information Only
- Committees There are core committees and other committees as needed. Millie and Jennifer will send out information on each committee to allow the operating committee members choose which committee(s) they would like to participate on.

NCF Updates - Program Updates - Jennifer

- a. Karla Maldonado introduced herself to the group and explained her role with NACD.
- b. Jennifer presented information about fundraising and how we could become attractive to College Universities across the country. (Delaware College of Agriculture and Natural Resources contacted Jennifer) Jennifer has come up with a listing of services and prices for sponsorships for universities. Brooke added some comments about potentially added something for the annual competition. Jennifer mentioned that if we included "time" during the annual competition, the host committee would need to approve. The coverage we could get throughout the year would be significant. Jennifer will email the information out to the operating committee so we can look it over and give some feedback.
- c. Jennifer is currently updating the website. 09-01-2021 starts the "2022" year.
- d. Membership Dues letters will be going out soon.

NCF Updates – Education Updates – Stephanie

- a. Wrapping up the 2021 Nebraska event. Testing day went well. All teams submitted tests during the testing window. Teams have access to their graded tests so they can see the correct answers.
- b. Working with Ohio. Excited about working with Ohio.

2021 Competition Review –

42 Paid teams (41 teams competed) and 55 paid guests. For a total of \$15,350.00

Future Competition Updates:

2022 Ohio: Wendee

- Miami University, Oxford Ohio July 24th – July 30th, 2022

- Current Issue Waste to Resource. Learning objectives coming out very soon and will be on the website.
- The committee is continuing to fundraise.

2023 Competition – Becky

- July 23rd July 28th, 2023
- Mount Allison University, Sackville New Brunswick
- Current Issue: Climate Change
- The committee is looking at some pre-event tour packages for attendees to take advantage of.

2024 Competition – Jennifer

- New York.
- They are picking between two universities and need more information. Jennifer will make some changes to the future host packet regarding "new normal" like social distancing and private rooms.
 More information to come.

2025 - Still Looking

Committees:

- a. Rules/Policy Committee The chair seat is vacant. Please let Millie or Jennifer know if you are interested in sitting on this committee.
- b. Education Committee No News
- c. Diversity Grant Committee Finishing up and sending payment to the diversity grant winners. Applications for 2022 diversity grants will be released November or December.
- d. Competition Advisory Team No News
- e. Scoring Committee No News

Other Business:

Updates to Documents for approval at 2022 NCF Winter Meeting (February 2022)
Information Only

Save The Dates:

- a. 2022 NCFEOC Meeting Saturday February 12 Sunday February 13th, 2022, Orlando FL. In conjunction with the NACD annual meeting.
- b. 2022 NCF Envirothon Competition Oxford Ohio July 24th July 30th, 2022

Next Meeting via zoom – Tuesday November 9th, 2021, at 1:00 PM EDT

Meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m. EDT

Respectfully Submitted, Andrea McKeown