**AWWA/MWEA Youth Ed Committee Meeting Notes**

**February 13, 2023**

**2:00pm**

1. **Update from MWEA/AWWA**
   1. **MWEA Update:Cheryl-1800 people at Joint Expo**
   2. Joint Expo Recap- Career roundtable! Was a hit, hoping to do it next year with more networking to get more students. Scavenger hunt was a little disorganized and lacked purpose for the YPs.
   3. Now accepting abstracts for MI-ACE 2023! (September) Open until the end of February. Will Submit an abstract on Youth Ed Committee! Looking for Keynote Speaker if anyone has some ideas (only 3k). Spread out at 2 different hotels so be prepared and book early.
      1. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MIACEAbstracts23>
2. **Old Business**
   1. Student Chapter update- Frank to send Alyssa an email to talk with AWWA National and get a program started. Looking for Colleges that have water systems (MSU).
   2. Update on GR Museum Engineer days (Kevin) HE IS FAMOUS!!!!! 600 students come through (800 people total). Unstructured-kids could flow through the activities for however long they wanted. Video with bugs doing their thing!
      1. <https://www.woodtv.com/abc4/maranda/gr-public-museum/engineering-day-at-the-grand-rapids-public-museum/>
3. **Delta College WET Program update (Amy)**
   1. Lowering the standard
   2. Not finishing program
   3. Creating new certs to try and get students to finish program with certs or degree
   4. Classes they need: electrical controls and distribution systems- make these available to high school students (hybrid)
   5. Trying to increase professors on training for hybrid to build hybrid classes
   6. Best thing Youth Ed can do it advertise their program
4. **Career fairs or upcoming events**
   1. Water Pool-ooza Events in GR
      1. Saturday, Feb 25 at Lake Michigan Filtration Plant (10A-1P)
         1. Ernie is good
         2. James
         3. Alyssa Is backup
      2. Saturday, March 11 @ GRCC M-Tec Campus (10A-2P)
         1. Any additional volunteers available?
            1. Richie is speaking
            2. Kevin- speaking and tabling
            3. Cheryl- speaking
            4. Colin-Editable aquifer
            5. Alyssa- Speaking   
               Ashley-tabling
         2. Needs: Figure out the activity and joint branding for table cloth?-H/A to reconnect
            1. Alyssa needs to find an email….she found it will follow up
   2. ~~Innovation City High Career Fair in Grand Rapids~~
      1. ~~April 27, 7:30A-2:30P~~
      2. ~~$75 for non-profits to participate~~
      3. VETO
5. **Next goals for Committee**
   1. **Water Festivals**
      1. Half-day water festival throughout the state
         * 1. Update! List of Interested locations (Ashley/Brittany)
           2. Identify where volunteers are located:

Hillary -anywhere

Kieyona & Evita & Candice & Summer Cox& Ashley Mark (Enviroscape) (Macomb Area)-interested in

Recreational Authority of Roseville & Eastpointe

Located in quite a bit school, good for foot traffic, good parking

Macomb Intermediate School District

Avoid water festival dates

Follow up meeting to build activities and then establish an location!

Richie -SW

Ashley Day (Holland-ish)-SW

Alyssa Olson-Where ever

Colin – SW

* + - * 1. NEXT STEP: GOOGLE DOCS/ACTIVITIES & THEMES/ PLANNING MEETINGS

1. **Items to Revisit** 
   1. **Would like some marketing information about young professionals in the water industry**
   2. **T-shirt design**
      1. Sell shirts at the water festival?
      2. T-shirt with business sponsorship?
   3. **Brewery Option Partnership**
      1. Richie to look into a possible No water, No Beer event/t-shirt partnership-FOLLOW-UP 1/9/2023
      2. Education Option & a Business’ impact on WW process
      3. Water-themed trivia night?
2. **Open Discussion**

**NEXT MEETING: MARCH 13, 2023 @ 2PM**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89975035312?pwd=N1dxWGVkV2ExOENJSFhLOW9DcXBMdz09>

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