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

**April 10, 2023**

**2:00pm**

1. **Update from MWEA/AWWA**
   1. MWEA
      1. Registration not yet open for annual conference-next week!
   2. MI-AWWA
      1. Outreach committee (revamped Industrial Recruitment Group) up and going!
2. **Old Business**
   1. Student Chapter update- Alyssa
      1. Follow-up with YPs needed
   2. Stockholm Junior Water Prize
      1. Students will submit April 15
      2. Group to rank the projects-stay tuned for voting in late April 10, 2023
      3. Possible member to take over the SJWP from Colin – Connie?
         1. Backup coordinator member?
         2. Requirements: Regional Science fair, collect abstracts/look for projects that are related to water and encourage those students to submit their projects to State, National, and international, help through the process
            1. We help pay for the students
            2. Possible booth/poster at MI-ACE
            3. Possible booth/poster at MWEA annual conference, possible host? Not much time for students to arrange logistically
   3. GLLee Classroom on Urban Water Cycle- COMPLETED!
      1. Flyer and information attached in minutes
3. **Water Festivals**
   1. Half-day water festival throughout the state
      1. East Side Update
         1. Discovery period-visit a couple of water festivals to get an idea/report out
            1. Lake Erie Water Festival- May 16
            2. Clinton River Festival-possible attendance
         2. Goal is to have a water festival in Wayne County in 2024
         3. Short description of water festival for the reach outs for possible locations-Alyssa
      2. SW Side Update
         1. Planning meeting to be added on the books-stay tuned
         2. Christian to be added to group
         3. Brittany to be a fantastic resource
   2. ~~T-shirts for the festivals -parking lot~~
      1. ~~Design~~
      2. ~~Volunteers/Community Partners receive a shirt~~
      3. ~~Sponsors from SW/SE areas~~
4. Identifying volunteers other than sponsored t-shirts:
   1. Ideas: hats, sash/pin, make our own tie-dye shirts or buy generic tie-dyed shirts
      1. Colin to ask around Ashley Day to look around (4ipmrint)
      2. Ashley Day to reach out to Blanford Nature Center for information on tie-dying
5. **Projects**
   1. Marketing content for YPS in Water – IN PROGRESS
      1. Next Steps:
         1. Collaborate with MWEA Outreach Committee, YPs, New Professionals
         2. Discovery Period
         3. Reach out to MI-AWWA side for information - Alyssa
      2. Team: Summer, Alyssa O. Ashley D., Hillary, Christian, any others?
      3. Use WWN and Matters to showcase YPs in water
         1. Certain questions-same questions fill out responses
            1. Leave room for open questions to have the interviewee shine
   2. **Brewery Option Partnership-Update**
      1. Education Option & a Business’ impact on WW process & potential trivia night
         1. New Holland tours in Holland, MI
6. **Open Discussion**
   1. In-person meeting for tie-dye shirts (Hillary/Alyssa to put a survey out)
      1. June MWEA Conference: In-person breakfast and committee meeting -   
         Attending: Bryan, Dave, Hillary,
      2. MI-ACE in September
      3. Lansing area? Outdoor meeting and tie dye at a park?
         1. Brittany Pazdan can provide information about locations

**NEXT MEETING: May 8, 2023 @ 2PM**