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Working Together for Healthy Watersheds on the Kenai Peninsula

Kenai Peninsula Fish Habitat Partnership Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2019

Call to order: 2:00 pm

Location: Kenai Watershed Forum, Soldotna

Present: Branden Bornemann – KWF, Brian Blossom -ADFG, Kyle Graham - USFWS

Telephonic: Jess Johnson – ADFG, Adam Cross – USFS, Mike Daigneault -USFWS, Christy Cincotta-TTCD, Erika Ammann (NOAA)

Absent: Coowe Walker – KBNERR, Emily Munter-USFWS

1. Call to Order
2. Approved Agenda
3. Approved Minutes from Previous Meeting - February 4, 2019
4. Old Business
 - a. Open committee seats
 - i. Bornemann has reached out to several partners in the area with little luck in recruitment for future applicants. **KPFHP steering committee is encouraged to spread word about application for committee seats.**
 - ii. Sarah Apsens from DEC voiced interest in applying for a seat. **Bornemann will reach out to her.**
 - b. April 18, 2019 symposium
 - i. Symposium presentations
 1. Alice Main, Katherine Shake, Lucas Byker, Andrew Sayers
 - ii. Symposium presentations: proposed
 1. DEC, ADFG, Coowe Walker, Marcus Mueller, State Parks, Kristin Mitchell/Sue Mauger, Coowe Walker, Cincotta, USFS, USGS, NOAA, Katy Birch
 - iii. Discussion ensued regarding local project updates, CAP discussion, EVOSTC film, and the incorporation of KPFHP steering committee meeting into the symposium.
 - iv. **Bornemann will reach out to Rys Miranda, Marcus Geist and others regarding a presentation (see: "Symposium presentations: proposed").**
 - v. Advertising for symposium was discussed.
 1. 1 month out: KWF will advertise.
 2. 1-page flyer: disbursed and emailed by committee members.
 - vi. Attending: Byker, Blossom, Kyle, Cincotta, Cross, Ammann, Daigneault
 - vii. Unable to attend: Johnson
 - viii. **Bornemann will confirm symposium agenda to be confirmed by end of this week (3/4/19).**
 - ix. Online registration is highly encouraged.

5. New Business
6. Action Items
7. Roundtable
 - a. The National FHP meets next month (Daigneault).
 - b. State travel in increasingly difficult. Stream bank restoration training to be provided throughout state-possibility of Kenai training again this year (Johnson).
 - c. Coastal and Marine Restoration Grants are open (2-3 year duration). Fish passage projects and near-shore marine projects are typically funded (Ammann).

Next Meeting: TBD