PEI Watershed Alliance Board Meeting Thursday, October 5th, 2023 4- 6 pm via Zoom

Board Members in Attendance: Sherry Pelkey, Jake Mackinnon, Virginia Everett, Juliana Fernandes Granzoti, Kris Hunter, Andrew Lush

Staff Members in Attendance: Heather Laiskonis, Nathan LaCroix,

1) Call to Order

- Meeting Called to order at 4:04 PM.

2) Approval of Agenda

- Moved by Jake Mackinnon, seconded by Sherry Pelkey.
- Passed unanimously

3) Approval of Minutes from September 7th, 2023

- Moved by Sherry Pelkey, seconded by Juliana Fernandes Granzoti.
- Passed unanimously

4) Business arising from the minutes

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Discussion items:

a) PEIISC

- The PEIISC will not have to file taxes separately; they will also have to report to their funders, and they are ineligible to be added to the Alliances liability insurance.

b) Gwen Vessey on truck insurance

- Heather will add Gwen Vessy to the Alliance truck insurance.

c) Data Steering Committee

 Members of the data steering committee, which consists of Mary Finch, Kris Hunter, Sherry Pelkey, Andrew Lush and Heather Laiskonis, meet to discuss what are some of the needs and what are some of the capabilities of the Alliance when it comes to data. Along with finding out what are some of the watershed group's data needs when it comes to the technical needs and various data that are collected.

d) 2 BillionTrees Updates

- Kassidy Matheson was hired as the new Two Billion Trees coordinator.
- A meeting was held with Kate and Hailey about reallocating some funds for the 2024-2025 planting season because it is likely that there won't be a planting season.

e) Letter of Support Policy

- The PEIWA letter of support policy can be found in the PEIWA Human Resources Manual.

f) Steering committee for assessing group directives (WEST, CENTRAL, EAST)

- This committee is to see what is the purpose of each group, how they are doing financially, what type of technology they are using and what projects they may be

working on. This is to be done by enlisting representatives to go out and talk to each group using a structured questionnaire so that information can be gathered.

g) ACOA Funding-need steering committee

- Motion to create an ad hoc steering committee for ACOA funding consisting of Dawn McInnis, Jake Mackinnon, Virginia Everett and Heather as ex-officio.
- Motioned by Juliana Fernandes Granzoti and seconded by Sherry Pelkey.
- Passed unanimously

h) Erosion Control Plan 2021 AGM notes background

- Erosion Control Plan 2021 is to be added to the forward agenda, and anyone with any background information on this should contact Heather.

6) Reports

a) Financial Update

See the folder for an update

b) Project Manager/ED Update

- See the folder for an update
 - c) Equipment Manager Update
- See the folder for an update
 - d) Review Forward Agenda
- See the folder for an update
 - e) Other

The meeting adjourned at 5:21 p.m