

◀ **WWIN General Membership Meeting Minutes** ▶

Date	March 27, 2012
Time	3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Location	WSU Extension Large Conference Room

Agenda:

The time allocations associated with each agenda topic are estimates and will be revisited as part of the agenda review, and throughout the meeting, if needed.

#	Topic and Suggested Time Allocation
1.	<p>Welcome, Introductions, Review Agenda Sue Blake, 5 minutes</p> <p>In attendance: Bob Hendricks, Becky Peterson, Rebecca Schlotterback, Emily Resch, Kristen Cooley, Ingrid Enschede, Emily Johnson, Elizabeth Kilanowski, Nicole Hopper, Lindsay Taylor</p>
2.	<p>2012 WWIN Program Updates (25 minutes)</p> <p>a) Water Weeks (Emily Resch, 10 min); The major focus at this time is on confirming sponsors and preparing for the Junior Ski to Sea Parade. We are still working to find a trailer for the float and kids to participate. We have also started to get host applications for events! The Sub-committee has also developed a budget for the event that will include funding and in-kind contributions. Bob Hendricks volunteered to assist with publicity for the event - Whatcom Watch.</p> <p>c) Speakers Series (Sue Blake, 5 minutes); We continue to be on track for monthly events - February "State of Watershed/WWIN Overview" at County Sub-committee; March "The New Shellfish Biotoxin, Clara Hurd"; April "Citizen Science", Kate Little; May "Bellingham Bay Hypoxia" Jude Apple; September, Water Supply Symposium; October, Climate Change and Food Systems Symposium (marine/terrestrial). A suggestion was made to try to get at least the powerpoints from the presentations to post on the WWIN website.</p> <p>d) Training Opportunities (Sue Blake, 5 minutes); Current focus is the social marketing training offered by PSP; other suggestions have been made by WWIN members that need follow-up.</p> <p>e) Website Update (Sue Blake - 5 min); Quick overview of website and areas still needing work.</p> <p>Action: receive updates; provide feedback</p>
3.	<p>New Activities (20 minutes)</p> <p>a) Resource Directory (Nicole Hopper, 10 min) An overview of the survey and current results/input was provided; will remind other members to complete the survey. Once more organizations/people have completed it we can talk about the best way to format it - others (e.g. Wendy Scherrer) may want to be involved in those discussions.</p> <p>b) Calendar of Local Events (Sue Blake, 10 minutes) We want to find a good easy way to allow for members to share activities with others. While we are exploring options (Google calendar, etc.) I will send out announcements on a regular monthly basis asking for events and follow-up with a compiled list for WWIN members to review.</p> <p>Action: Hear about new activities and provide feedback/suggestions</p>

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4.	<p><i>ECONet Update</i> <i>Sue Blake, 15 minutes</i></p> <p>Learn about the status of ECONet, activities/opportunities available, selection of interim alternate coordinator, and preparation for selection of coordinator/alternate for year starting in July.</p> <p>Action: Select/confirm "alternate" for Interim Coordinator; informational</p> <p>Lindsay will act as alternate Interim Coordinator. A decision will be needed by mid-June for who next years coordinator and alternate will be - they can both come from the same organization if desired. Information on process and requirements will be distributed to WWIN members so they can provide nominations. There was also a discussion about the Model Stewardship Program RFI. Although this is NOT a grant opportunity there is the potential for funding as part of the process. Concerns about the transparency and clarity of the process were raised by some members. Kristen gave an update on the Puget Sound Champion program which includes an opportunity for WWIN/Whatcom County ECONet to identify a specific activity/program to highlight/honor. Members suggested Whatcom Water Week be nominated.</p>
5.	<p><i>Program Overview - Featuring Two Local Organizations (30 minutes)</i></p> <p><i>To help us all learn more about what each of us are doing we will be including a time in all quarterly meetings to feature one or more local groups. This meeting will focus on efforts of:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Taylor Shellfish Farms, Nicole Hopper will explain who they are, what she does, fun upcoming event(s), and potential for partnerships</i> • <i>RESources for Sustainable Connections, Lindsay Taylor</i> <p><i>Both Nicole and Lindsay provided an overview of their organizations and the programs they are working on, and networking/partnering opportunities.</i></p> <p>Action: Information</p>
6.	<p><i>Networking (25 minutes)</i></p> <p><i>This is a chance to share with others any updates on what you are doing that may be of interest to the group. Be sure to mention anything that can enhance potential partnerships and outreach opportunities. Emily Johnson noted that the City has hired two new part-time permanent educators. May is Puget Sound Starts here month.</i></p>
7.	<p><i>Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items</i></p> <p>Action: Identify next meeting date and proposed agenda items. The next quarterly meeting is June 26. A suggestion was made to consider a potluck or something similar as part of the meeting. WSU Extension and Birch Bay (Ingrid and Emily) will be the featured Program Overview Organizations.</p>