NOXIOUS WEED BOARD MEETING
March 14, 2019
Deschutes County Board Hearing – Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS Present:
Spring Olson     Christina Veverka     Sarah Canham     Jeff Amaral
Allen Hammermann Julie Craig     Elizabeth Johnson  Matt Flautt

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE and GUESTS Present:
Ed Keith         Jon Valley     Kelli Candella     Cheryl Howard

Minutes
Minutes for February 14, 2019, approved, M/S/C

New Business
Let’s Pull Together Cheryl Howard gave background and an update for the 2019 LPT event. Event on schedule for June 15, 2019. Working on a Sisters area event with Matt and Elizabeth, June 22 will be the Sisters event date. Four-page insert will be placed in the Source, which will announce both Bend and Sisters event and locations of pull sites. Two additional counties have also joined in the LPT with community pull – Baker and Tillamook Counties. Sites for previous years included Old Mill, Pilot Butte and Miller Elementary. Would like to mix it up this year, Jon Valley and Jimmy Hall will review public locations once the snow melts and offer recommendation on pull sites. Example – Pine Nursery or any Bend La Pine School. Cut-off date for location to be include in the Source is May 15, 2019.

Old Business
Stewardship Award – Cheryl mentioned Timbers Soccer Club, they have continually participated in the LPT and it helps recognize young kids and their efforts. The committee agreed to include an individual and a group recognition award, individual – Frank Huebsch and group – Timbers Soccer Club.

Spanish brochures handed out to committee members. Would like to focus delivering these to Landscape Contractors Board, CORA, Cities of Bend and La Pine, and several landscape companies. Deschutes County Library will receive brochures for patrons. A request to bring more English brochure to next meeting for distribution.

Discussion on the Control Noxious Weed signage. There were many options but the committee chose to leave wording as is. Jeff presented several options for swag that will include the logo for Control Noxious Weed artwork. Group stated that they are interested in the stickers, grocery bag and magnets. Budget for this is $500 this fiscal year. Would like to have items for the Home & Garden show.

Roundtable
- Elizabeth – annual International Tour will include a ½-day invasive species tour that will take place on April 2.
- Jeff – hiring seasonal workers
- Allen – working with South County – Sunriver Owner’s Association and SOLV for a weed pull in their area. Will announce event and details on Nextdoor website to get the word out in the area. The will be a mail out to homeowners, dependent on weight, may include weed brochure.
• Christina – working on broad assessment for reed canary grass working around the spotted frog, this should be completed by end of April. Board of the Native Plant Association will hold an awareness session April 21 – 28, Christina will send link with event schedule to Weed Board members. Christina will make more seed packets for weed trailer.
• Spring – mediate education with Oregon State and farming community. Provided information pertaining to award she received in Virginia.

**Meeting Schedule** Next Meeting set for April 11, 2019, at 3:30 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED 5:00 p.m.

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