



Marion Soil and Water Conservation District

Education Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

9:00 am via [Zoom](#)

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AGENDA

Call to Order – Scott Walker, Chair

Request for Marion SWCD to adopt [Claudia Chinook](#)

Claudia is a 29 ft long fiberglass salmon that 4-6 adults can be inside of at a time! She is great for parades and events and for generating conversations about watershed health. She is owned by Polk SWCD and they no longer have the capacity to manage and maintain her. They asked if we would like to adopt her. We would need to invest some money in maintenance and determine a location for her to be housed.

Update on Salmon Watch Funding Assistance

The Salmon Watch grant process is up and running in Foundant. Heath emailed an invitation to apply to all teachers who have signed up for fall Salmon Watch trips and posted the opportunity on our website [here](#) and [here](#). Two schools (Stayton HS and West Salem HS) have already applied for Salmon Watch funding through the new process as of 8/5/22.

Update on Environmental Education Organization Funding Framework

The staff are beginning to work on developing a process that could be used for watershed council support, environmental education organization support, and other special requests outside our existing grant programs. What kind of information would the committee like us to request from applicants?

Adjournment – Scott Walker, Chair

Help Spread the Word...

Upcoming Education Events

1. Community Events – [Englewood Forest Festival](#) (8/13), [Community Salmon Watch Day](#) (9/11)
2. Youth Education – [Salmon Watch Volunteer Training](#) (8/25); [Salmon Watch Field Trips](#) (Sept. 14-Oct. 13); Salem Outdoor School (Oct 4-7)
3. First Fridays – [Sept 1 – Stephanie Hazen on Monarch Butterflies](#)– First Friday of each month from 12-12:45 pm (none in July, August speaker not identified yet))
4. KMUZ Conservation Spotlight podcast – [September 15 at 8 am and 6 pm – Shawn Rivera, US Forest Service, “Forest After Fire: Moving Forward”](#) – (MSWCD hosts in March, June, September, and December)

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Committee Members

Board: Scott Walker, Mark Fields, Darin Olson

Staff: Heath Keirstead, Janice Calkins, Becky Pineda

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