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## Maumee AOC Advisory Committee

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*June 9th, 2016 1:00pm – 4:00pm*

*The Mannik and Smith Group office*

*Conference Call # [614-387-7405](tel:614-387-7405)*

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### MINUTES

- **Participants:** Tim Bollin, Terry Shankland, Tim Schetter, Sally Gladwell, John Kusnier, Cherie Blair Joshua Miller, Cassie Lovall, Nick Bohland, Jenny Carter – Cornell, Tara Baranowski, Sandy Bihn, Daryl Dwyer, Patekka Bannister, Jim Carter, Melanie Coulter, Bryan Hinterberger, Joey Sink-Oiler, Ted Smith, Michael Weintraub, Bill Buri, Archie Lunsey, Marilyn DuFour, Katie Evans, Jeff Guerrero, Kris Patterson
- **Welcome & Introductions:** Kris invited those in the room and on the phone to introduce themselves.
- **Review Agenda/Approve Minutes:** John, the Chair, reviewed the agenda and asked for a vote on the April minutes. Kris asked that it be noted in the minutes that she attended. With this addition, Tim Bollin made a motion and Terry Shankland second the motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed.
- **BUI 14: Wildlife Target Development Team Update:** Tim Schetter gave an update on the BUI 14 local target development. He explained the overall approach the team has agreed upon, including dividing the AOC into three sub-regions: Coastal, Oak Openings, and Woodlots/Riparian. He explained the significant level of effort that the team has made to develop reasonable, achievable acreage targets by sub-region and that based on feedback and concerns from US EPA and Ohio EPA that the team is re-evaluating their target recommendations. The team will meet again and expects to present a revised recommended target to the MAAC at the next regular meeting.
- **RAP SEP Fund Usage Vote (Kris)**
  - Based on the previous survey feedback, and discussions at the April meeting that stressed the importance of ongoing outreach & education, the MAAC has re-evaluated the usage of the existing RAP Supplemental Environmental Project funds (which PCS has been fiscal agent for since 2007).
  - In the April meeting the suggestion was made by the Committee to determine if these funds could supplement the Ohio EPA capacity grant and be specifically used for general outreach and education (such as short videos, public boat/canoe tours, new outreach materials, etc). Kris provided a written summary of the potential & proposed uses for these funds. Between meetings, Cherie and Kris discussed these potential projects with Ohio EPA management (the overseer & original negotiator of the SEP funds through the surface water program) and received permission from Ohio EPA to use the remaining SEP funds in a manner consistent with the proposed projects and objectives; however, the funds cannot be used for PCS personnel (the capacity grant already supports that). PCS will administer this fund and update the Committee and Ohio EPA on all projects PCS will also close out the TMACOG

small grant, awarded previously from this fund, as soon as all work is completed and the final report/invoice submitted this year by TMACOG. Tim Schetter made a motion to approve the usage of the SEP fund in a manner consistent with the proposed projects and to allow PCS to directly administer this money and the projects and periodically report back to the MAAC. Tim Bollin seconded and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

- **Ohio EPA Report (Cherie):** Cherie reported that Ohio EPA has secured their next federal grant to support AOC activities. She expects Tetra Tech to come under contract in July to assist the MAAC with technical support. She mentioned that US FWS is working on a sampling project in this AOC and several other federal agencies, such as USGS, have projects that are underway or beginning this summer.
- **Facilitating Organization's Report (Kris):** Kris briefly reported that the Sub-Award Contract was signed and the letter on adopting targets was submitted to Ohio EPA. Since the last meeting PCS has held storm drain marking programs and CYS365 cleanups. PCS has met numerous times with Ohio EPA and MAAC leadership to help facilitate the upcoming meetings. The new Maumeerap.org site is live. PCS is working on planning for stream cleanups (Get the Lead Outs and CYS365 programs) and researching some of the proposed SEP fund education and outreach (such as more educational materials and boat tours on the Sandpiper) to be held over the next 4 or 5 months.
- **Announcements and/or Updates from Ex Officio & Resource Members (open floor):**  
Kris announced that PCS is helping the Cuyahoga River Restoration (the Cuyahoga RAP Facilitating Org) host a Tree Intensive Training here July 15<sup>th</sup> at Wildwood. It is free and people can register online.
- **Public Comments (open floor):** None
- **Future Meeting Frequency, Dates, Times (John)**
  - Bimonthly dates: August 11<sup>th</sup> 2pm, October 13<sup>th</sup> 2pm, December 8<sup>th</sup> 2pm (may be combined with the Summit) Additional meetings will be added for the Management Action List development based on a Doodle poll Locations TBD
- **Adjourn:** Terry motioned that the Committee adjourn the business meeting and move immediately into a working session on BUI Status and Potential Management Actions. Sally Gladwell seconded and the motion passed. Additional notes summarizing the working sessions will be compiled after the final one concludes (June 30) and included as additional attachments to the minutes.