Oregon Dunes Restoration Collaborative Education Working Group – Meeting Minutes 4/3/19

Educational video

- Group consensus is that this video would be highly useful, and we should prioritize producing it
 - \circ $\,$ Can use some funding from Trust donation if needed $\,$
 - The script is a very rough draft currently
 - One of the volunteers who wrote parts of the dunes strategy book is looking to get involved again
 - Jeff will connect to her via email
 - Videographer options:
 - Connection from Jim did video for Western Lane Community Foundation:
 - http://www.wlcfonline.org/Photo-Gallery.html
 - Great video, but audio quality in animation? (voice sounds artificial)
 - We could record audio via people speaking, so that won't be a problem
 - Willing to work for free!
 - Spring Fed Media (side job of Travel Lane County's videographer)
 - He's willing to do some photography work for free, but would want to be paid for video production
 - Jeff is getting a quote for his work
 - Examples of his work:
 - <u>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLLrtMf7K15xIg92X4trADOJAzVTsVMOvB</u>

Activity packs

- We're not really doing anything with kids right now
- Jim's educational programs are being transitioned to non-profit group ECO

 They will not be doing Scotch broom pulls anymore
- Put this on hold until we are doing more education to kids / families

Activity sheets

- Jeff made two simple handouts for younger children at our tabling events
 - Word Search with names of native species; and an OHV the med maze
- Will print small run of each for our upcoming events

Website educational content

- We have previously discussed adding more educational content to the website
- Jeff will also ask the writer/volunteer if that would interest them
- Dina would rather work on this type of work than the video script
 - Dina and Jeff connect soon to discuss where more content might be needed

Social media content

- We've found that our most successful and widely shared social media posts are content about wildlife in the dunes
- Dina will start scheduling regular #wildlifeWednesday posts

Educational presentations

- Science Pub Talk at 7 Devils Brewery this Sunday 4/7
- Coos History Museum on 6/4
- UO Museum Field Trip to Day Use Area dunes on 6/27
- Dina is working with 2nd grade field trips in May, so avoid scheduling in that timeframe

Guided hikes in the dunes

- Dina wants to do public educational talks / hikes in the dunes
- Are we covered under CPRCD insurance? Or can we be if not?
- Would like to start scheduling and promoting them soon
- Dina would like to do them "as ODRC" but if we don't have insurance, Dina could do them as a USFS uniformed volunteer
- This could be a way to gauge public knowledge / tie in to monitoring surveys

DunesFest

- STRD wants us to have / share a table next to them
- Or could we share w/USFS? Or all three orgs have a booth?
- Find dates and figure out who will staff the booth soon
- We're working on printing a second aerial photo poster board for STRD

Monitoring questions

- The monitoring working group is asking for input from the other working groups about what they should be asking the public
- Potentially will be developing a survey to find out what is the public learning
- Can we involve a university class?
 - And they can do the statistical work as well
- What are the questions?
 - What does the public know about the dunes and issues facing them?
 - What are people learning about the dunes?
 - What sources are people learning from?
 - Through what media did you learn about the dunes? And about dunes restoration?
 - Do people even know about the issue?
- Start surveying now establish a baseline!
- And then we use the data to inform our future educational efforts
 - Think about what do we want people to be learning

Otheritems

- Do we need to purchase a projector?
 - No, not enough presentations happening yet; and group hosting often has projector
- Merging back with Communications / Outreach working group
 - Should we merge this group back into the communications & outreach working group?
 - Comm group has organizational lead through Travel Lane County
 - o Education group has many project ideas but not as much leadership commitment
 - Merging back together would keep structure of comm group and allow education volunteers to focus more on projects and worry less about organizing the group
 - But since we have dedicated funding for education, we need to make sure that we use those funds for education and they don't get diverted elsewhere