

OAH Council - Education and Outreach Working Group

Wed, May 27, 2020 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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10:00pm - 10:30 pm **Getting Started**

- Greetings and Updates from the OAH Council Co-chairs
- Review Meeting Minutes from 01/17/20 Document

10:30pm – 11:00pm Outreach in Light of "New Normal"

- Updates from Working Group Members on OAH Related Projects
 - Are your respective groups moving forward with OAH projects?
 - Have your groups priorities changed or shifted as a result of the new normal?
 - Have any new opportunities surfaced as a result of current situations?
- Opportunities for new engagement and events on "Hold"

11:00pm – 12:00pm Working Group Moving Forward

- Short Term Planning (Opportunities for 2020)
 - o Fisherman's Roundtable
 - Sea Grant Conference Support (Application will be submitted ASAP) - Funding to support conference and graphic designer contract to create outreach materials.
 - 2020 State of the Coast OAH Breakout Session

(Proposal submitted - May 15th)

- o Outreach Materials Development Documents needed now?
 - Example New Draft Hypoxia Handout
- Long Term Planning
 - o Working Group Timeline Document
 - What are our longer term visions?
 - What are our goals for 2020/20201?
 - o Draft Context Document

OAH Council – Education and Outreach Working Group Meeting Summary: 05/27/2020

Working Group Members: (Present)

Caren Braby (Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Marine Program Manager)

Shelby Walker (Oregon Sea Grant, Director)

Fran Recht (Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, Habitat Program)
Susan Chambers (The West Coast Seafood Processors Association, Director)

Francis Chan (Oregon State University, Associate Professor)

Working Group Members: (Absent)

Jack Barth (Oregon State University, Marine Studies Initiative Director)
Tracy Crews (Oregon Sea Grant, Marine Education Program Manager)

Kerry Carlin-Morgan (Oregon Coast Aquarium, Director of Education)

Sara Bywater (Pacific Coast Shellfish Growers Assoc., Outreach and Projects)

Margaret Pilaro (Pacific Coast Shellfish Growers Assoc., Director)

Charlie Plybon (Oregon Surfrider, Policy Coordinator)

Working Group Staff:

Charlotte R. Whitefield (Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, OAH Council Staff)

Key Topics: Short term and Long term planning

General Updates:

- Legislative session with the "Ocean Bill" comprehensive funding for ocean projects
 - o SB 1554 did not pass 2020 short session
- NOAA OA Small grant opportunities
 - o Oregon Sea Grant and Surf Rider both did not submit due to COVID related timing issues
- Hatfield Marine Science Day and Oregon Coast Aquarium Table Display
 - Both canceled due to social distancing
- Unlikely that OWEB will be granting in 2020 due to State lottery and general fund shortfalls
- Oregon Coast Aquarium MSI sponsored OA summer internship and OA messaging development
 - o Timing TBD based on COVID related social distancing and project holds

Concerns of the WG: Navigating the "New Normal"

- Concerns with too many or too strong of "Asks" to get attention or funding in a time like this.
- Interest for the WG to entering into a planning period instead of an action period.
- Need to consider reframing the issue of OAH communication and renege audiences for the for the "long haul"
- Need to figure out how to best get audience's attention what is the urgency of OAH in light of basic needs of communities in a recession.

General Ways to engage: Tie the issue into issues of today

Tactics:

- Science and research as a tool for change
- Positive communication styles fact driven and empower personal change
- Messages need to have a clear need and pathway for "what could be done"
- Make connections to COVID and the new normal

Concepts:

- Food security = local protein and local access
- Blue jobs and Blue economy
- Frame as self-resiliency = fundamental resilience and stainability of communities
- Environmental health and climate change
- Resources and materials for the economic impacts of OAH
- Issues with how to make stories less messy not a clear of an OA story with other species
 - Ocean change (multi-driver systems)
 - Political stability
 - International markets

Short Term Planning (Opportunities for 2020):

Fisheries round table:

- Sea Grant Conference Support (Application will be submitted ASAP) Funding to support conference and messaging content to create outreach materials
- Interest in making the roundtable interactive with highlights from researchers who actively collaborate with the fishing communities.
- Interest in having visual/audio messaging instead of just printed materials
 - Interest in pushing the OA story out of just the oyster industry
 - Targeted people crab, shrimp, learn their stories along-side new research
 - Capture Fisherman's stories
 - Capitalize on antidotes, stories, visuals,
 - Person to person stories and engagement

State of the Coast workshop – OAH Breakout session:

- 2020 State of the Coast OAH Breakout Session (Proposal submitted May 15th)
- Format and platform for the workshop will likely be changing in light of COVID information will be provided to breakout session submitters in coming weeks.

Long Term Planning

- General Timeline was approved by the working group
- Need to focus efforts in light of limited resources work flow TBD in coming weeks

Follow-up information for the next meeting:

- Contact Flaxen Conway (OSU/Oregon Sea Grant) about her past work on the 2016
 Fisherman's round tables and her past project working with a video team to capture
 regional fisherman's stories.
- Contact Dr. Francis Chan / Dr. Jack Barth (Both OAH WG members) about their NOAA CHRP grant which has some funds to work on outreach, and the possibilities for collaboration on video outreach at the 2020/2021 fisherman's roundtables.