**LTER Education Committee Conference Call**

**January 9th, 2019**

**3:00-4:00 pm EST**

**AGENDA**

1. Attendance: Alan Berkowitz, Marty Downs, Jill Haukos, Lisa Herman, Fiona Jeuon, Kim Eichorst, Bess Caplan, Amanda Morison, Elena Sparrow, Sarah Thorne, Sam Norlin, Liz Duff,
2. Approve Dec minutes: Approved
3. New Business
   1. Network Communication Office updates –Sam Norlin, Marty Downs
      1. RFP for the NCO is open
         1. Sam will be asking EOC for ideas/input
      2. Education activities by site has been updated on the LTER website
   2. 40 year review check in
      1. Request for information to sites will go out this week. Detailed around personnel, funding and publications. The template will include up to 5 bullets for education and outreach accomplishments over the past 10 years including cross site activities.
      2. Information managers are doing a 2 page brief and the EOC should put together a network wide education and outreach activities. Focused on the last 10yrs. Activities that couldn’t be accomplished without a network. Should be short and concise.
      3. NSF is interested in ‘leveraging’ the network. Brought in resources that weren’t funded by LTER core funding.
      4. Audience will have some to no familiarity with the LTER so some context will be needed.
   3. Working Group updates
      1. RET proposals
         1. Bess Caplan, proposal for a 7 week program $1000/week support. Two products, poster for BES annual meeting in October and a set of lessons to pilot the next school year.
         2. Amanda Morrison: has two teachers coming to the ARC site. Time to work on teaching activities and stipends to cover the travel/lodging and presenting at a conference.
         3. Lisa Herman: two teachers, aligning existing lessons with district curriculum
         4. LUQ is not submitting a proposal. But looking into building in a consistent structure to support RETs. Based on LUQ 2009 report similar to NSF Engineering RET. Steven McGee will send out a link
         5. Jill will create a common folder for RET proposals
      2. New Structure for the Working Groups? Need reinforcement of what the working groups are and align the Google Drive to the new model.
      3. Data Literacy
         1. Survey of education resources meeting at the end of the month
         2. Submitted a DRK 12 proposal for AND Data Jam
         3. LUQ hosted 24 teachers Data Jam focused on CODAP.
         4. Worksheets and material of the Data Jam will be put into the Drive
         5. Andy Rubin helped advise on the activities
         6. Activity where they picked 10 locations and graphed attendance over 24hrs. Needed to guess locations based on patterns. Created challenge cards instead of a tutorial.
      4. Next meeting February 1st, 2pm EST looking at Data Jam surveys. If interested contact Steven for the Zoom link.

d. Higher Ed -Cross Site REU

* 1. Was excited about applying to RCN UBE for an incubator grant
  2. Wasn’t clear that that venue would fund just LTER needed to expand to other networks. Not submitting that proposal
  3. Still lots of interest

SYBS

* 1. 11am central time Zoom call
  2. Discussing future funding and format options

e. Citizen Science

Cross Site tea bag experiment idea, will meet with the committee

Conference March 13-17 in Raleigh NC, and still accepting posters

1. Reminder to access the LTER calendar, send events to Mart, Sam or Committee Chairs
2. Site Updates
   1. BES: ramp down funding focused on synthesis papers not new projects.
      1. Transition to BES consortium
   2. Liz Duff :PIE: Data Nugget will be translated to spanish, and request from NY State Regents Exam to use data.
3. EOC Meeting Schedule (NOTE DAY OF WEEK CHANGE TO THURSDAYS)
   1. February 7th, 2019
   2. March 7th, 2019
   3. April 4th, 2019
   4. May 2nd, 2019
   5. June 6th, 2019