Minutes of the 2:30pm August 4th 2016 Meeting of the Fund Development Committee

Attending: ????

Please refer to the revised plan posted on the Board site under committees, FDC, 7/11/16.

Discussion on a script to be used to set up meetings with major donors. We will first call Ed and Linda Wood (Alan), Pete and Marnie Lacouture (Walt), Harold Ward (Helen), and Malcolm Grant (Donna.) Donna and Tom will draft a script for these initial calls in the next few days based on an initial draft from Donna and an "elevator speech" used by Helen and others at the farmers' markets (see below.) Calls to ask to schedule a face-to-face meeting in the next 2-3 weeks.

Chris and Alan will work on the "ask" script

We're considering an appreciation gathering for those on the list we do not know well, time and location TBD.

From Helen:

Mission: to preserve and protect the watershed – 300 sq. miles with 57 miles of river to paddle – mostly flat.

Enjoy the watershed:

Fish, kayak, hike, canoe, take pictures, draw, and camp, as well as use the public access areas, and go birding

Preserve the watershed:

Scientific water quality testing for over 30 years,
A candidate for Wild and Scenic designation,
Advocate for watershed ecology at local, state and national levels,
Dams removed
Fish and eel ladders installed

Educate all folks

School groups, River experience for kids – out on the river in kayaks! Website access to water quality data

WPWA is a membership organization – we welcome new members all the time!!

From Donna:

As a board member, I am calling to set up an informational meeting so that we can personally share the exciting things that we have been doing in the watershed. For over 30 years we have been sampling and monitoring water quality, removing dams, building fish ladders, and providing educational and recreational opportunities and so much more. Your support has made this possible and we thank you. Beside hearing what we have been doing, we would like to hear from you as to what issues interest you the most.

Respectfully submitted, Donna Walsh, MDC Walt Galloway, FDC