



Little Blue Natural Resources District

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April 4, 2019

Agenda Item #

TO: RESEARCH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE – Bill Glenn, Zach Hollister, Everett Kellogg, Jay Meyer, Warren Taylor, Bob Trausch, and Jesse VonSpreckelsen

CC: All Board Members, NRCS

RE: Research & Education Committee Meeting

DATE: **Thursday, April 4, 2019 – 7 pm**

PLACE: Board Meeting Room, LBNRD Office, Davenport, NE

The Research & Education Committee meeting will be held to discuss the following agenda items:

Meeting Agenda

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1. Action to Select Chairman & Vice-Chairman
2. Operator Training Available through LBNRD Website
3. Board Communication & Education
4. Awarding Scholarships
5. Master Plan & Resource Concerns Survey
6. Recreation Area Fishing Tournament
7. Tree Program Education
8. Communication to public of stay if static water levels drop below 2016 baseline
9. Public Outreach
10. Board & Secretary District Tours
11. Other Business

There is a lot to talk about so please come prepared. See you on Thursday!

-Elysabeth Kierl, Media & Communications Specialist

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Notes from Liz:

- We would like to utilize an operator training module from the Little Blue NRD website instead of using Nebraska Extension's site.
- Board communication has been an issue the last several months. Many board members don't utilize what other board members do as efficient forms of communication. It would be a valuable tool for the staff to have one form of communication that all board members could agree on.
- We would like to provide the board with information that they feel is a viable source; where do you want us to get our information from to provide to the board?
- We have seventeen scholarships to in which to choose.
- The Master Plan is due December 31, 2019. It is important to learn where the board feels our efforts need to be focused, so we have a resource concerns survey to complete. We are trying to get a feel for how you would like this survey provided to you.
- Liberty Cove & Lone Star historically have the largest number of anglers visiting our recreation areas. We'd like to reward them and get a feel for the fish that are available in the lakes, so we'd like to hold a fishing tournament during the summer months where anglers submit photos based on certain criteria – longest fish wins.
- The tree education programs are set to kickoff in April, if you'd like to be a part of them, let me know!
- With spring static water level readings beginning of April, we need to have a plan in place to inform the public if the levels drop below the 2016 baseline. In previous years, we utilized fairs as a public outreach platform. Do you have any other ideas on how to reach the public in a positive manner?
- In the past, the Board and secretaries were invited on a districtwide tour in which they visited ongoing or completed projects, recreation areas and other areas of interest in our district. We have a budget item to continue this annual event, when and where would you like to go?

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-Elysabeth Kierl, Media & Communications