

Rivers Coalition

Meeting Minutes

Date: June 25, 2014

Called to Order: 6:03pm

Attendance: Leon Abood, George Jones, Shari Anker, David Wisehaupt, Jill Pinkham, Dennis Phelan, Jim Moir, Jackie Tracynger, Joanne Swann, John OBrien, Charles Grande, Todd Weissing, Karl Wickstrom, Jim Harter, Marty Baum, Frank Pryzbylski, Darrell Brand, Mike Littell, John Bobb, David Lowe.

Chairman's Comments:

Chairman Leon Abood called the meeting to order. Leon gave a brief presentation, reminding everyone of the Rivers Coalition mission statement and how the organization has grown in recent times. He also presented an award to Administrative Coordinator Jessica Waugaman for her tireless efforts to help the St. Lucie.

Special Presentation:

Karl Wickstrom introduced Joe Browder, who gave a special presentation. The update can be watched at www.youtube.com/user/RiversCoalition

Paddlefest 2014:

Mike Flaugh presented donations from Paddlefest 2014 of \$500 each to: River Kidz, Florida Oceanographic Society, Dolphin Ecology Project, Indian Riverkeeper and the Environmental Studies Center.

River Kidz

Jacqui Thurlow-Lippisch announced that the River Kidz are watching a new baby dolphin in the Indian River Lagoon named Clover and that children from Bessey Creek Elementary and Port Salerno Elementary, of their own initiative, raised money to donate to the Rivers Coalition.

Martin County:

Diane Hughes gave an update on Martin County: Go to www.riverscoalition.org/reports-info/local-updates for the full report.

South Florida Water Management District:

Kathy LaMartina gave an update on the South Florida Water Management District: Go to www.riverscoalition.org/reports-info/local-updates/ for the full report.

Indian Riverkeeper:

Marty Baum gave an update, you can go to www.riverscoalition.org/reports-info/local-updates/ for the full report.