

Rivers Coalition

Meeting Minutes: March 2017

Darrell Brand called the meeting to order at 11am and completed roll call. In Attendance: Mike Conner, Ted Stevens, Nic Mader, Mark Perry, Wayne Kuster, Jay O'Laughlin, Richard Erth, Todd Weissing, Donald Voss, Jim Moir, Jackie Trancynger, George Jones, Darrell Brand, Linnea Desmond, Charles Granie, Charles Grande, Bob Deppmeyer, Joanne Swann, Paul Laura, Annie Potts, Jill Pinkham.

Chairman's Comments: Darrell Brand welcomed everyone. He announced the next meeting: April 27, 2017 11am. A check from Blessing of the Fleet was presented.

Current Action Items and Voting:

Darrell reminded everyone to keep up the letter writing campaign supporting SB10.

Special Presentation: “What is a **RED** Herring; how to identify one and what should we do?” Members and guests of the Rivers Coalition.

River Kidz of Martin County:

Jacqui Thurlow-Lippish and Nic Mader presented for River Kidz. The third edition of “River Kidz Workbook” will be coming out soon. A “Don't Trash It” event is coming up this spring and reminded everyone about Youth Cinema in April and Nicholas Leonard's Call for Musicians.

Speaker's Bureau: Todd Weissing announced Ballentrae Lady Anglers speakers bureau on Monday, March 27th; Marty will be speaking. If any organizations or groups would like the Speaker's Bureau to attend their meetings, please contact Todd.

Martin County: Deb Drum presented a comprehensive update on Martin County and discussed the water quality. Go to the following websites for water quality updates: www.martin.fl.us ; www.martin.floridahealth.gov ; www.dep.state.fl.us and www.reportalagalbloom.com.

To view Deb Drum's report go to: <https://www.youtube.com/user/RiversCoalition>.

Local Issues and WRAC: Mark Perry presented regarding water quality, oyster and seagrass presence.

Indian Riverkeeper Marty Baum reported.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:40pm.