Steering Group Meeting Agenda

Meeting date: September 6, 2006, 3:30 pm

Attendees

Executive Committee: David Judd, Brian Carlson

Partnership Members: Thom McConathy

Staff: Jim Gladson, Jordan Larner, Jeanne Lawson, Kelly Skelton, Ron Wierenga, Katy Brooks,

Curt Loop

Agenda/Discussion Topics

Program Manager Position update

David Judd said that there really isn't any new news to share. Pete and David are planning to follow up with Bill Dygert later this month. Katy said she will follow up with Pete to see if he has any new information and send along to Kelly to distribute to the SG. *UPDDATE: Katy Brooks spoke with Pete Capell after our SG meeting and Pete said that Bill Dygert is not interested in the position. Pete will update the entire Partnership on next steps at our September 20th meeting.*

IGA Update

The IGA is going to the County Commission on 9/12 for authorization. The "effective date for completion" field was blank Brian was going to fill in 2011; this date can be change at a later time if necessary. Katy was going to try and get Larry Paulson to sign the IGA before the end of the day, after our meeting. If she is unable to obtain his signature, Jim will take the IGA with him for the 9/12 commission signing and return the IGA to Katy for Larry to sign. David Judd and Pete Capell will then sign as well.

Corps Update

Jim said the letter of intent will be sent to the Corps on Thursday, September 7th. Curt will send an official project name for Jim to include on the letter

Tech Group Update

Ron has received the draft work plan from WSU and is reviewing before he shares with the rest of the Tech group. After his review Ron will send feedback to Dr. Bollens on the work plan, once Dr. Bollens returns with changes Ron will share with the rest of the group. WSU is still anticipating that they will begin work in October. Jim Gladson asked if the VLWP will be able to select the grad students that will be performing this work, he (and others) are concerned about the quality of the students that will be assigned to the project. Ron replied that the professors will have quality control over the work and analysis, and is confident that high quality students will be assigned. Ron will request a listing of faculty and graduate students and their qualifications in the work plan.

Public Information Update

Jim suggested that he, Katy and Loretta get together to discuss possible PR around the official final signing of the IGA.

September 20th Partnership Meeting Agenda

The agenda was finalized.

Upcoming meetings:

- September 20th, 4:00 pm Partnership meeting
- October 18th, 3:30 pm Steering Group meeting