

Minutes of the Milton Frye Nature Area Committee for September 3, 2015

Present: George Clark, Stephanie Ferland, Phyllis Katz, Tracey Kawecki, Lindsay Putnam

This meeting was primarily concerned with organizational arrangements to facilitate ongoing projects of the committee.

For the proposed educational structure, more direct communication between the volunteer builder and the teachers who will use the structure would be advantageous. Lindsay Putnam is to contact the individuals concerned so as to promote this communication.

Considerable progress was made over the summer in control of invasive plants in the nature area. The committee will seek expert advice on the next steps to be taken with regard to cutting, pulling, or covering invasives. Students and parents and other volunteers could potentially participate in upcoming sessions to pull or cover invasives.

It is anticipated that the Department of Public Works will mow the meadow again this fall sometime after MCS class studies of the meadow have been completed.

It is hoped to establish a more direct email communication so that reports of trees needing cutting can be transmitted as directly as possible to the volunteer actually doing the cutting. Lindsay Putnam is to speak with those involved. There are currently two trees leaning above the outermost loop trail and another "leaner" over a trail is near the parking lot.

Respectfully submitted,
George Clark