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**Subject: WV MN State Meeting Minutes – June 9, 2012**

The teleconference focused on planning for the 2013 West Virginia State Master Naturalist Conference. Due to scheduling conflicts, the 2013 Conference has been moved to the weekend of Aug 16-18.

We will aim for 80 participants in 2013 (69 registered for 2012).

Will we have the same number of classes in 2013? There were 13 classes offered in 2012.

2012 registration was through Master Naturalist website.

We need more detail in the class description.

Possibly have the evening reception of the porch at Hallihurst?

Possible classes for Conference

- town hall meeting on emerging threats to WV native flora and fauna. Evening session???
- medicinal plants – Bill Beatty
- working with local media, bird ID, nature writing – Scott Shalloway
- ferns
- astronomy
- tracking and survival skills
- scavenger hunt
- lepidoptera
- land snails
- fish
- WV rare plant and animal species
- mussels

Actions

Find a PA system for the tour van(s) – Tom Zeitz

Send out a “save-the-date” email for 8/16-18 – Penny Miller

Add a notice to the WV MN website, “Do you want to be notified of upcoming events?”

At the first quarter SAC teleconference, discuss the possible New River chapter and how we can help.