



MEETING MINUTES

Outreach Committee

**August 6, 2008 – 7710 W. Cheyenne Ave., Suite 130
Las Vegas, NV**

Members Present: Hal Sullivan, Chair; Herb Spiegel, Jennifer Ward (UNLV), Walter Wegst

Members Not Present: Joe Boylan, Lee Geiser, Vernell McNeal, Helen Neill (UNLV), Genne Nelson, Ron Salzano,

Department of Energy: Kelly Snyder, DDFO

CAB Facilitator: Rosemary Rehfeldt, Navarro Research and Engineering, Inc.

Rosemary Rehfeldt opened the meeting with a review of the meeting's agenda. In Hal Sullivan's opening remarks, he told the committee that the Clark County School District would be sending a copy of the Nevada Education Standards to the CAB Office for Doe to incorporate when using the Environmental Management (EM) *Operation Clean Desert* display and related materials. The Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board's *Stewardship Education Resource Kit* was briefly discussed and the kit will be brought to the next committee meeting for review.

The committee discussed the items to include in the Outreach Committee Work Plan for fiscal year 2009 and it was decided that the Work Plan will include the following items:

- 1) Discuss and/or create a CAB electronic newsletter for quarterly distribution
- 2) Explore new tools to enhance *Operation Clean Desert* display, activity book, and computer game
- 3) Review the Oak Ridge CAB's *Stewardship Education Resource Kit*
- 4) Explore options of creating a CAB display for outreach uses to bring awareness to CAB activities and accomplishments
- 5) Discuss and recommend other outreach activities that EM could conduct
- 6) Work on other related EM outreach activities as needed and approved by DOE

Walt Wegst mentioned the Nevada Test Site's (NTS) Oral History Project and explained that it gives a descriptive history of what went on during the nuclear testing period at the NTS and how things were done at that time. The committee members asked for more information on this and Jennifer Ward offered to look into accessibility of the Oral Histories and send the information to the CAB Office.

Herb Spiegel told the committee about a successful poster contest outreach program from the Clark County Regional Flood Control District, where children won awards for their posters and the program reached 6,000 school children. He suggested that the committee look into recommending to EM a similar educational outreach program. Hal Sullivan suggested that something like this can be used as an extended activity to the *Operation Clean Desert* kid's display. The committee agreed to make this recommendation to DOE and a letter will be drafted for Board review and approval.

The subject of DOE's letter to the CAB dated August 4, 2008 was raised. This letter was written in response to the CAB's request to staff EM booths and displays at various outreach events in local communities. CAB members were told that staffing of Nevada Site Office Environmental Management (NSO EM) booths and displays is a federal responsibility and not part of the CAB's charter. However, DOE fully supports CAB members staffing a CAB-related display that explains CAB activities and membership. The committee discussed this possibility and decided to include the item of exploring the option of creating a CAB display in the FY 2009 Outreach Committee Work Plan.

The committee was interested in finding out whether or not the Oak Ridge CAB goes out into the community to promote their *Stewardship Educational Resource Kit*. Walt Wegst said that he would ask the question on the next EM Site Specific Advisory Board conference call on August 7, 2008.

The next meeting date and time was set for Wednesday, October 1, 2008 from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. The meeting location is to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.