

# Governor's Committee on Pollinator Protection

Tuesday, July 10, 2018

Rondo Community Library – Multipurpose Room

461 Dale St N, Saint Paul, MN 55104

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**Committee members present:** Erika Bailey-Johnson, Jim Calkins, Steve Ellis, David Flakne, Sarah Foltz-Jordan, Willa Childress (proxy for Lex Horan), Bob Koch, Dan MacSwain, Erin Rupp, Dan Schutte, Marla Spivak, Ted Suss, Brian Thalmann

**Facilitators:** Amanda Dirnberger (a.m.), Brian Stenquist (p.m.); **Staff:** Faith Krogstad, Giuseppe Tumminello

## AGENDA

Activity	Audio
1. <b>Welcome, agenda review, and introductions</b>	*
2. <b>Review and approval of meeting notes</b> The committee approved the minutes unanimously.	*
3. <b>Executive Branch updates: pollinator-related activities</b> Faith Krogstad (DNR/EQB) shared collaboration between some state agencies and the governor's office to celebrate and promote National Pollinator Week, announced the publication of the final Mid-America Monarch Conservation Strategy, and presented agency collaboration around National Pollinator Week. Emily Kissane (MDE) and Giuseppe Tumminello (EQB) talked about the new pollinator library exhibit now on display at the Rondo Library and available at any Minnesota library through interlibrary loan.	*
4. <b>Determining the format of the report</b> Brian Stenquist shared his opinions on the GCPP report at the request of the trichairs. Amanda Dirnberger facilitated that segment of the meeting. The committee decided to produce a white paper with the governor and agencies as the audience. The report would have an executive summary and full recommendations, showing levels of support for recommendations and describe some points of contention.	0:00:00
5. <b>LUNCH</b>	
6. <b>Russ Stark, Chief Resilience Officer, City of Saint Paul and Saint Paul Natural Resources staff – Municipal efforts in pollinator protection</b> Russ Stark, Adam Robbins, and Mary Henke-Haney presented Saint Paul's policy, land management, and education efforts to support pollinators.	1:32:50
7. <b>Thoughts from members of the public attending today's meeting</b>	2:36:45

Patricia Hauser, Margot Monson, and Chris Cowen spoke in support of decisive actions to support pollinators.

8. **Presenting and discussing revised recommendations** 2:50:56  
Marla presented the current list of recommendations, which had been edited to include more detail and new recommendations introduced at the last meeting. The group discussed gaps in information, specific recommendations, and how the group's recommendations could be incorporated into the IPPT report. Ideas will be presented to the IPPT on Thursday.
9. **Break**
10. **Discussing revised recommendations, continued**
11. **Next steps for recommendations and report** 3:51:20  
The committee assigned each recommendation to a subcommittee or individual to fill in any missing information before the next meeting.
12. **Final thoughts of the day**
13. **ADJOURN** 4:30:29

\*the recorder was accidentally paused for the first portion of the meeting

**THANK YOU**