

Lauren recording

23 ppl attending. "Bring a buddy night" with 3 totally new faces.

UPDATES

Barn: come to Sunday 12pm in UpCafe meeting. Creating detailed plans with Andy to make sure the barn will serve farm and grow service to curriculum.

Farm: seed order next Sunday, more barn talk, and work party putting plastic on the hoop house, applications continue to be available in Stud. Life or by contacting Dane, Lauren or Michiel and due on the 14th

Farm Pre-O: talk to Joana if you are interested, or Michiel Considine, it's happening again and Joana is working on programming changes

Outreach: Sylvia has a survey for us and we have a breakout group for talking about how to keep getting more people to come and engage in our work(**see later paragraph for more**)

Maple Syrup: Wednesday 4-5pm we will be building the shack (woods past Secret Garden on path to N Bton), and we will have a breakout group of sign up sheets and what it all entails.

Bton ACTS: is expanding and interested in working with BSFP as a group that has done a lot of work with the community. Today volunteered with Meals on Wheels, also collaborating with HIS pantry throughout the semester. Best work is reciprocal interaction between our interests and greater community needs. We can reach out to ACTS as a resource if we discover a project that we really want to do, or if we want to involve town people with our events. He is tabling on Mondays and Thursdays, interested? Talk to Michael Thompson.

Bton Communal Harvest: continuing this year, won't be as active in harvesting until gleaning season, but organizing workshops on campus.

BEAG: We are gonna have a thrift store! Probably up and running by the end of March (fun fact, it's already full of sorted clothes). Come to the BEAG meeting on Thursday at 9pm if you want to know more.

TOOL BOX revisited

Consensus-based and non hierarchical. Important to keep this front of mind. The formal tools are:

- Temp. Check: how do you feel shown by raising hands high or lowering them to denote enthusiasm
- Can anyone not live with that?: makes it safe for people to be honest and explain their objection
- snaps: hearing encouragement or agreement from larger group
- Show of hands: quick majority
- Go 'Round: quickly hear everyone's voice
- spectrum stance: stand up and move to side of the room you agree with
- Fishbowl: two people in center of circle explaining their opinion
- Two groups, inside group speaks and outer listens, then switch
- Fridge is to keep talking about an issue at the next meeting. Might be about time or about contention
- Stack: speaking order so that people don't talk over each other

SAPA:

Sign up to collect sugar maple sap, or to boil sap down to syrup! **Everyone is welcome!** You do not need to have any experience, and it's a great opportunity to spend a little time in the woods with friends (and there will be a how-to sheet out there). We need people to collect sap during the week, and starting at 4pm on Friday, we will be boiling down the sap until it runs out sometime on Sunday. There will be an **Info Session at 4pm (until around 6pm) on Friday** for anyone who hasn't boiled down sap before, and the person on the shift before you can remind you of the basics.

OUTREACH:

Next time we will be poster making, so bring crafts!!! (Markers/pencils/crayons, colorful paper, and your creativity are wanted.) Also, BSFP will be tabling Thursday, Friday, and Monday at lunch and also making a barn movie. Come to the next meeting to find out more!

Also next meeting:

We will be talking about which goals we will definitely get done this term (e.g. who wants to help build the barn? Who wants to help organize events? How do we keep reaching out to new people and to faculty to engage with the curriculum?). We will also start the conversation of what we want in a Five-Year Plan.

Revisit: Barn, Farm, and Maple Syrup