



Executive Council Meeting Planning Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
July 31, 2024

**Participants**

Rachel Felver, ACB (Coordinator)	Liz McKercher, Kevin McLean (VA)
Anna Killius, Adrienne Kotula (CBC)	Scott Settle (WV)
Phil Miller (DE)	Laura Cattell Noll (LGAC)
Lucinda Power, Martha Shimkin (EPA)	Jess Blackburn (Stakeholders)
Cassie Davis (NY)	

**Logistics:**

- The meeting will be held in Annapolis, Md. on Tuesday, December 10 from approximately 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- All meeting materials (biographies, advisory committee reports) are due to Rachel and Bianca on or before November 15, 2024.

**EC Actions:**

- EPA, MD DNR and Planning Committee Co-Coordiators will meet on August 13 to discuss proposed EC actions.
- The [CBP Governance Document](#) only covers the process for directives.
- Need to decide which of the four proposed actions will be signed. Recommend they be called directives if they are going to be signed.
- All signatures will need to be collected one month in advance of the meeting (i.e., Tues, Nov. 12).

**Proposed Speaker for Public Meeting:**

- Goal is to have a speaker in the public meeting that will excite the members and the audience about the next phase of Bay restoration.
  - Should be familiar and knowledgeable about the partnership, engaged in our work.
  - Someone that is newer to the Bay restoration movement.
  - Solid speaker, inspirational message.
- Proposed speakers include:
  - Secretary/Under Secretary of Agriculture
  - Allyson Gibson, Lancaster Clean Water Partners
  - Kate Fritz, Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay
- Other options:
  - Give EC members more time to speak, no speaker necessary.
  - Have a panel with representatives from each jurisdiction that represents the successes/interests of the member.
  - Invite high school or college age environmentalists from the jurisdictions to introduce their members and briefly speak.
    - <https://www.cbf.org/blogs/save-the-bay/2024/07/planting-roots-in-the-bay.html>

- Give students the opportunity to talk about the Bay/watershed they want to see in the future and how they want to be involved.
- Action Items:
  - All planning committee members should come to the next meeting with ideas as to what they'd like to potentially highlight for their jurisdiction.
  - What student organizations are active in your jurisdiction (e.g., Future Farmers of America, CBF student programs)?