



Executive Council Meeting Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes
July 31, 2024

Participants

Rachel Felver, ACB (Coordinator)	Natahnee Miller (PA)
Gabe Cohee, (MD, Co-Coordinator)	Julia Wakeling (DC)
Bianca Martinez Penn (Staffer)	Kevin McLean (VA)
Anna Killius, Adrienne Kotula (CBC)	Scott Settle (WV)
Phil Miller (DE)	Laura Cattell Noll (LGAC)
Lucinda Power, Martha Shimkin, Greg Barranco (EPA)	Jess Blackburn (Stakeholders)
Cassie Davis (NY)	Meg Cole (STAC)

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.
- Official invitations to the meeting will be sent out in early September

EC Actions:

- Beyond 2025 Charge
 - o Final version to be approved at PSC Meeting on October 25
 - o The recommendations will be coming out of Phase 1 and are igniting Phase 2.
- Ag. Advisory Committee Directive
 - o All signatures are needed by November 8
 - o Final version to be approved at October 25 PSC meeting, but language will be shown to the PSC at their September 17 meeting.
- Maryland has expressed interest in inviting the Chesapeake Bay watershed Congressional delegation to the meeting
 - o This would come with a need for all of them to have time to speak, which would likely need to replace having other invited speakers and add significant time to the public meeting.
 - Another possibility would be allowing them time with the press after the meeting as opposed to speaking time during the meeting
 - Gabe Cohee will run this by Maryland DNR Secretary, and there will also need to be a separate invitation for Congressional delegates if this is decided on.
- Draft Agenda
 - o There is some concern about there being enough time for EC Members to ask questions of the advisory committee chairs at the closed meeting.
 - o To make up time, we could take out the signing portion of the directive by having signatures printed ahead of time
 - In past years, a signing ceremony has presented a good opportunity for photos, so we should revisit this debate.

- If we do have a signing ceremony, the planning committee feels it should be during the private meeting to allow for more time during the public meeting.
- o There should be time built into the agenda for overflow since member remarks typically go overtime.
 - Perhaps we should eliminate the idea of a potential speaker to allow for buffer time in the agenda.
- o The Planning Committee would like to give Gov. Moore 5 extra minutes to share what the EC accomplished during his time as Chair.
- o The idea of having younger students from different jurisdictions introducing their members was proposed and well supported.
- o Governor Moore will discuss the importance of the advisory committees in his remarks.
- o Should we include our commitment to the advisory committees in the Beyond 2025 charge?