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TO: SCHOOL FOREST ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS
FROM: Russell Noland, School Forest Director
RE: **Agenda for School Forest Advisory Board Meeting**
DATE: Monday, March 25, 2024 @ 4:00 p.m.

Please be advised there will be an advisory board meeting at 4:00 p.m. located at the School Forest Lodge, N4740 Highway 107, Merrill, WI 54452. Coffee and water will be provided.

School Forest Advisory Council Mission Statement: *The School Forest Advisory Council serves to support the Merrill School Forest staff and students. Support may include offering advice and/or assistance for the following items: management of the School Forest property, management of the School Forest facilities, environmental education curriculum development and implementation, financial considerations, public outreach and education, and other activities that may benefit the School Forest and its users.*

The agenda is as follows:

- **School Forest Advisory Minutes from Monday, January 15, 2024** ([Link](#))

- Logging Sale Update
 - Bear Den

- Solar Aerator Update

- Trees For Our Future Spring Planting Update
 - Saturday, May 4th from 9:00-1:00 (Kevin B. guest host?)
 - Tree planting near pond
 - Pond Shelter/Elbridge "Al" Curtiss Building Dedication @1:00 p.m.
 - Building Signage/Plaque?

- FOSF will provide sheet cake
- Pond Shelter Update
 - Landscaping - Do we need DNR permits?
- 5th Grade Overnight
 - Rec Camp Status
 - Considerations to change grade level
- Trail Maintenance
 - Continuous Encroachment - Update of work done
 - Ice and Snow Damaged Trees - no change in status
 - Bridge Maintenance - no change in status

New Business

- Safety/Discipline Protocols
- Items presented by Friends of the Forest (Rich Prange)

Shannon M. Murray, Superintendent of Schools

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