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Education

California Professional Clear Multiple Subject Credential, CSU Chico, Chico, CA. Oct 1993 (through Nov 2008)
Nevada Elementary & Substitute License, Nov 2001 (through Apr 2010)
Certificate in Nonprofit Management, University of Nevada Reno, Feb 2004
M.S. Outdoor Education, Southern Oregon State College, Ashland, OR. Aug 1979
B.S. Natural Resources, Humboldt State University, Arcata, CA. Jun 1974

Direct Experience

Teacher, Sacramento COE - Sly Park Environmental Education Center, Carson CSD, Washoe CSD, Lake Tahoe USD, Chico USD. Substitute teacher for environmental education program at residential outdoor science school. Substitute teacher grades K–12 in all subject areas but specializing in science and special education. Instructional leader for science and school reform. 1993 – present (600 days, intermittent with other employment).

Executive Director, Nevada Natural Resource Education Council, Carson City NV. Professional Development: Design and facilitate workshops, including the flagship Lamoille Institute for Educators (LIFE) and Project Learning Tree, Project WET, Project WILD, and River of Words, design and implement certification programs, plan and host environmental literacy conferences, and correlate environmental education curriculum with state and national academic standards. **Leadership:** work with agencies, organizations, schools and higher education to implement and improve environmental literacy programs, develop statewide implementation plans, network with regional and international organizations, and lead NNREC's strategic planning process as well as support other organizations in strategic planning. **Administration:** administer nonprofit organization including fundraising, grant administration, bookkeeping, newsletters and websites, and board support. Apr 2006 – Feb 2008 (22 months).

South Lake Community Coordinator, Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships, Tahoe City CA and Regional Coordinator, Adopt-A-Watershed, Incline Village, NV. Coordinate water quality projects involving schools and agencies, develop leadership capacity in the community for place-based service-learning, and schedule and facilitate professional development for teachers and other educators. Help district adopt place-based service-learning as technique for meeting standards. Offer professional development workshops on a variety of environment and education topics. 2004–2005 (22 months).

Program Director, Great Basin Outdoor School, Carson City NV and Web of Life Field School, Santa Cruz CA. Administer a residential program, working closely with students, teachers, mentors and naturalists. Supervise and train naturalists, health supervisor, mentors, and teachers. Develop all program procedures and documentation including safety plan and health procedures. Develop and modify curriculum to align with standards, including innovative middle school programs. Interact with nonprofit board on policy and procedure, including budget creation and board development. Liaison with site manager. Enhance program web sites. 2000–2003 (36 months).

Naturalist, Residential Outdoor Science Schools. As a naturalist and credentialed teacher, plan and conduct environmental education programs for residential participants at Web of Life Field School, Great Basin Outdoor School, Camp Winthers, Green Meadows, Camp Campbell, Santa Cruz Outdoor School, Monterey County Outdoor School, Whiskeytown Environmental School, and others. Offer an integrated program of environmental education and group process activities to 2nd–8th classes from inner city, suburban and rural school with diverse cultural and socioeconomic background, utilizing a variety of techniques appropriate to diverse learning styles. Develop community building activities to support ecological concepts. Ensure the health, welfare and safety of all participants. Work closely with classroom teachers and cabin leaders. 1973 – present (cumulative 9 years).

Leadership and Governance Experiences

Board Member and Officer, Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships (SWEP), Nevada Natural Resource Education Council (NNREC), Association for Environmental and Outdoor Education (AEOE), Great Basin Outdoor School (GBOS), and others. Founding member of NNREC in 1988. For NNREC, implemented a policy governance model for the organization including all supporting polices, organized and hosted the first two statewide conferences, re-wrote bylaws to re-energize the organization, served as President, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor. 1986 – present (21 years); For AEOE, served as President, Webmaster, and Newsletter Editor for 500 member - \$80K organization, initiated and led strategic planning process; developed nationally recognized website, and networked with all other environmental education providers in the state. 1988–2008 (20 years).

Residential Outdoor Environmental Education (ROEE). Served as part of the leadership group (there is no board) for this organization which provides national leadership in residential environmental education, offered workshops, developed and maintain the web site. 1997 – present (11 years)

North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE). Chair of the Affiliate Workshop Committee, Chair of the Site Selection Committee, member of Affiliates Network Steering Committee (2003-present), Membership Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, and Conference Planning Committee. 1998 – present (10 years).

Business Owner: Sole proprietor of desktop publishing business operated to support environmental and community organizations through newsletters and other materials, including publication of the national resource *Guide to Residential Outdoor Schools*. January 1990 – present (18 years).

Professional Memberships & Training

North American Association for Environmental Education
National Science Teachers Association / Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
Association of Fundraising Professionals / BoardSource
The Orion Society / The Nature Conservancy (life member) / Bioneers
Hosteling International (life member) / Country Song & Dance Society

WMI Wilderness First Aid (exp 5/2009) / AHA CPR (exp 5/2010)
Trails and Outdoor Leadership 2006 / Education & Environment Initiative 2006
Project Citizen 2006 / CO-SEED 2005 / Cultural Competency 2004
Project Learning Tree Facilitator 2003 / Project WET Faciliator 2005 / Project WILD Facilitator 1989
Nevada Educators Really Doing Science (NERDS) 2002 / Teaching Science as Inquiry (BSCS) 2002
Adventure Programming 1997 / QuickSilver 1996 (Project Adventure)
Earth Education, Earth Secrets, Conceptual Encounters, Earthwalks, Earthkeepers 1988 / Green Box 1987

Additional Skills & Experiences

Serving and have served on the board of nine nonprofit organizations
Lead backpacking adventure education trips for inner city high school students
Develop and maintain web site for environmental education organizations
Strong background in botany and familiarity with natural history
Co-teach university courses in field geology, including planning and leading of day and week long field trips
Lead day hikes and backpacks for Sierra Club; teach backpacking classes
Teach wilderness management concepts and perform wilderness research
Lifetime of hiking, backpacking, exploring, orienteering, and river running experience