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Bowman’s Hill Wildflower Preserve Announces Leadership Change

The Board of Trustees at Bowman’s Hill Wildflower Preserve announced that the Preserve is undergoing a leadership change. Executive Director Miles Arnott, who served for 20 years in this capacity, has stepped down to move on to the next stage in his life. Working with staff, donors, volunteers and the board, Arnott was able to accomplish some truly significant milestones in pursuit of the Preserve’s mission. The board appreciates his years of service.

The board has initiated a search for a new executive director. In the interest of organizational stability during this transition, the board has partnered with the highly regarded Dunleavy & Associates. They are providing an interim executive director and coordinating the search for a permanent executive director. Dunleavy has the expertise to provide professional management and advice in all areas of nonprofit administration.

Susannah Coleman has been selected to serve as interim executive director. She comes to the Preserve with extensive experience in fundraising and administration from her time working at both Princeton University and Chestnut Hill College, and a background in both environmental science and marketing. “Bowman’s Hill Wildflower Preserve is a natural treasure and a gem of Bucks County. I am thrilled to serve in an interim leadership role, and I look forward to collaborating with members of the board, staff, donors, volunteers and the Washington Crossing Historic Park to amplify outreach and engagement efforts,” says Coleman. In parallel with Coleman taking the reins for the interim, a search committee assembled by the Preserve will work with the Dunleavy team.

Board Chair Judy Eby and the entire board and staff are committed to the future of the Preserve. According to Eby, “Transitions can be challenging, but we will embrace this process as an opportunity to continue to strengthen the Preserve and promote our mission to inspire the appreciation and use of native plants by serving as a sanctuary and an educational resource for conservation and stewardship. We are truly grateful for the ongoing support the Preserve has received from people who believe in our mission and understand the increasing importance the Preserve plays in an ever-changing world.”

For more than 80 years, the Preserve has actively stewarded the land in its care to promote native plant diversity. As the Preserve looks ahead toward the 100-year mark, it seeks a strong and enthusiastic leader to continue the work and legacy of this natural gem.

For questions or comments, or to inquire about the executive director position, please contact Susannah Coleman at the Preserve, 215.862.2924 or susannah.coleman@bhwp.org.