

## **Library Environmental Committee Minutes—September 27, 2011**

Present: Mike Unsworth (chairing), Michelle Allen (minutes), Hsiang Ping Cha, Kriss Ostrom, Elida Marti, Heidi Schroeder

Absent: Susie Garmo, Stephanie Perentesis, Susan Kendall

### 1. LEC Environmental Series

#### a. Fall Semester

- i. The recent Beal Garden tour had eight participants (4 were community members)
- ii. Oct 27 - Becky Jo Farrington from Michigan Energy Options will speak about “How to Achieve Energy Savings”
- iii. Nov 29 - Tremaine Phillips will speak on “Michigan's Energy Future”

#### b. Spring Semester ideas discussed:

- i. Fracking - Heidi will check with Extension DEQ to speak
- ii. Ridding the campus of coal dependency – Kriss will check with Lauren Olson to speak
- iii. Alternative is to have Surplus Recycling staff speak
- iv. Earth Day Activities
  1. Display – coordinator pinned down yet – possibly new comm. members
  2. Beal Tour – target date is Thursday, April 14
  3. Recycling Game – target date is Friday, April 15. Heidi to coordinate and Michelle will help and provide eBooks with QR codes.

### 2. LEC Wiki Training

- a. Heidi provided training for viewing and editing our LEC wiki
- b. Location: Library homepage -> About us-> LEC committee at the bottom of the page
- c. Heidi has updated the Resources site. She will update the Ecograms and add an image to the homepage

### 3. New Member Update

- a. We will add new members who requested to be on the committee
- b. Kriss will contact them with information

### 4. Event Recycling Update

- a. Espresso Book Machine event – Kriss provided containers for recycling. They used plastic plates and Styrofoam cups
- b. Staff Picnic – LEC members provided boxes for recyclables. Will plan for next year’s event this spring (May)
- c. LSA members are working cooperatively with LEC to avoid disposables as much as possible and recycle food and drink containers. We will assist at the Diversity Heritage Luncheon on Oct. 4.

d. LFA meeting is Oct 21. Michelle will follow up with Mary/Birdie regarding recycling announcement if refreshments are served.

#### 5. Ecogram

- a. Kriss will provide an Ecogram on green glass being accepted at the Surplus recycling (home recyclables) and also clarify their new request to empty plastic bags
- b. Michelle will send out next Ecogram to publicize the LEC wiki and the comprehensive list of where to recycle various things (once Kriss consolidates the comprehensive list and Heidi posts it on the wiki)

#### 6. Next meeting

- a. Tuesday, October 25
- b. Michelle A. is chairing and Hsiang-Ping Cha is recording minutes