LEC Minutes – 5/28/13

1. Possible Fall (and future) Events in the Library Environmental Series

- Urban Farming in Detroit: Food Field (http://www.foodfielddetroit.com, Noah Link and/or his business partner, Alex Bryan (local))
  - Heidi will contact Noah and Alex for Fall event first (ask for their preference of time periods).
- Alternative Solar Energy in Co-ops (Terry Link) – we will hold off on this until we know more about the project.
- Complete Streets – including bike lanes, accessible bus stops with enclosures – (John Lindenmayer or Mike)
  - Mike will wait to hear from Heidi before proceeding with Complete Streets
- Local Foods Restaurants – we think most popular, could be difficult to organize – possibly a panel of local business owners (Soup Spoon, Red Haven, Purple Carrot, Fork in the Road, Trailer Parked, MSU’s Food for Thought); Could also contact MSU Residential Dining representative utilizing local foods.

LEC members will contact people before next meeting to see who is interested/available.

2. Energy Consumption Update (Kriss)

Cliff approved sending another notice about energy consumption. Kriss volunteered LEC to draft this notice. Aaron will start a draft and share via email.

We found out that many staff computers are not set up with power save option because it interferes with Sierra. We will ask Cliff to bring this point up at the academic director’s summit with III. Public PCs do go to ‘sleep’ however.

3. Building Reports – Feedback for Lauren Olsen (Kriss)

Building report comes in long, technical format. Office of Sustainability has asked for general feedback. We suggest making these more easily digestible. The overview report offered is difficult to understand – we suggest limiting data to building only; include bullet points to summarize. Kriss will draft message to Lauren Olson regarding our suggestions and invite her to next month’s lec meeting to explain the current report and its goals.

We want to make these reports available to staff but do not want to push it. Perhaps make it available via LEC wiki.

4. Library Bike

Closet (W122) we will be using to store bike is not ready yet. Mike spoke to his contact regarding waivers. No other areas on campus require waivers but we believe it is pertinent. MSU bike renters do have to sign lease form freeing Bike Services Center (BSC) from any liability. MSU Risk Management and Insurance state the university has liability if bike is being used for
university business (just like university vehicles) so we will draft a policy statement/agreement for library staff who reserve the bike and have Cliff approve. Mike and Kriss will write draft drawing from BSC’s lease agreement.

5. Mini-Bins

We as a committee are unsure of the benefit of these bins. We’ve decided to hold onto the bins we have but otherwise let the issue rest.

6. Chair/Recorder Duties

We are updating the guidelines to reflect changes we’ve made. Aaron will be doing all ecograms with input from the month’s recorder (and others as applicable). Also feedback time from group for minutes/ecogram will be lengthened to one week.

7. Other Business

Signage for regular LEC events such as recycling game. We will have one made.

8. May Ecogram Topic

Farmer’s Market season begins this month.