

Library Environmental Committee Meeting Minutes

8/25/2015

Chair: Emilia Marcyk

Recorder: Aaron Tomak

Present: Jonah Magar, Emilia Marcyk, Stephanie Perentesis, Eric Tans, Aaron Tomak

Regrets: Loretta Crum, Susan Kendall, Tim Kiser, Pat Olson, Heidi Schroeder

1. Environmental series updates

- a. September 28th – Historical tree walking tour with Dr. Frank Telewski, Curator of the W.J. Beal Botanical Garden and Campus Arboretum and Professor of Plant Biology
- b. October 28th – Recycling life cycle at MSU with staff from the MSU Recycling Center
- c. PR has gone out

2. Debrief after Cliff's visit/possible new projects for the committee going forward

- a. Shawn Nicholson sent us the Library Environmental Task Force's list of recommendations
 1. We will look over this and see what we can do to contribute or determine actionable items to share with Cliff
 2. Decided to table this for next meeting when the rest of the LEC members return
- b. Jim Hensley sent an email stating he is willing to invite a member of IPF to talk about their single stream recycling program
 1. We will get approval from other members of the LEC and respond by September
 2. This could be a great opportunity to tie in with the waste audit plans
 3. If we implement this we should consider a strong PR campaign as an additional strategy to improve student awareness

3. Waste audit – is it happening and when?

- a. Last waste audit was the first week of December last year. We would like to do it at the same time this year
- b. Composting has since been implemented. This may have effects on the results this year.
- c. If we introduce a pilot project for single stream recycling before December we will have another variable to consider.

4. New Business

- a. No new business

5. Ecogram

- a. We will look into Fall events of significance to determine if an Ecogram will be sent