

Library Environmental Committee Meeting Minutes - 10/23/2012

Present: Hsiang-Ping Cha (Chair), Mike Unsworth, Susan Kendall, Stephanie Perentesis, Andrea Kepsel, Elida Marti, Kriss Ostrom, Aaron Tomak (Minutes)

Old Business

1. Environmental stewardship report update – No new news; All LEC members have been submitted to be added to the “Be Spartan Green” newsletter mailing list
2. MSU Library Bike/Bike locker – Cliff has told us to proceed to lease a bike from MSU bikes. We won't provide helmets but they would be required. Disclaimer/waiver would need to be signed – this is akin to driving a university vehicle. Bikes have to be for MSU business only, not personal use. Discussions will continue regarding cost, renting vs buying, facilities, etc. Bike locker probably not likely in the beginning until we know if this program will be successful due to cost and landscape restrictions; Suz suggested storing the bike in the south stairwell instead using a pulley system (Mike will investigate). Exit/entry with the bike will be through the emergency exit with cooperation from Dennis.
3. New employee training update – We have a list of newer staff members. We will send a doodle poll to all new staff to schedule a training session. We discussed whether new employees' supervisor is responsible for basic intro as part of orientation or if environmental committee is responsible for all environmental/recycling training.
4. Oct 18 Beal Garden tour – Topic was how plants get ready for winter. LEC gave Peter a gift in appreciation of his time and efforts with these tours.
5. Green League – We will contact Lauren Olson for more information but we're not enthusiastic about participation due to the time commitment and the overall ambiguity of the project.
6. Retro commissioning of the library – We're seeking more information from facilities regarding the nature of this program.
7. Spring LEC speaker series – Susan Selke is willing to speak about sustainable packaging. Discussion of when to schedule events for maximum attendance. Tues-Thurs is best, late January early February. No second speaker has been determined at this point. Committee members need to seriously consider some topics for a second speaker and share before the next meeting.
8. Ecogram – Sources of reusable paper for staff within the library

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