

Library Environmental Committee

4/26/2016

Present: Eric Tans (Chair), Aaron Tomak (Recorder), Loretta Crum, Tim Kiser, Susan Kendall, Emilia Marcyk, Pat Olson

Regrets: Katie Emery, Jonah Magar, Stephanie Perentisis

1. Zero waste mania recap

- a. Event is complete. We performed 2 waste sorts. Results show marked improvement between the 2 (Eric has stats). New signage seems to have helped as composting increased quite a bit after the signs were brought in.
- b. Paper towel bins in bathrooms are also showing to be successful. Not much contamination as witnessed by committee members. These bins are located on 4 West and the Basement West (public restrooms) and are used for strictly paper towel to be composted.

2. Earth day activities recap

- a. Tim and Loretta put up an exhibit in the main exhibit area of the first floor.
- b. Eric went to the Green Gala. Eric asked about upcycling material (magnets specifically) and they expressed interest. LEC can collect these from staff to take over to recycling center.

3. Green certification

- a. Our Green Certification has lapsed. We will have to wait until next year to renew.

4. Surplus book sale event

- a. Eric received an email from Kris Jolly who is interested in setting up a used book sale. This would be a single day event. They are interested in possibly inviting librarians to participate.

5. New business

- a. Proposal put forward to create a document of annual events so that LEC members can better track events and responsibilities. Loretta will initiate this and other members will add.
- b. Discussion of whether or not to install a permanent chair/recorder instead of using our current method of rotating each meeting. We decided to try the shared document in order to arrange activities and see if we can improve our processes.

6. Ecogram

- a. Aaron will send the farmers markets Ecogram