

Library Environmental Committee Meeting, May 22, 2018

Chair: Sarah K.

Minutes: Lisa L.

Present: Jonah M., Loretta C., Lia S., Eric T., Jenny B.

1. Welcome introductions with potential new members
 - a. Gave an overview of LEC activities and purview to Lia and Jenny
2. Brainstorm ideas for fall programming
 - a. Invasive species program (Ingham County Conservation District) – bring someone in to give a talk
 - i. Loretta will bring the informational booklet next meeting and we can discuss scheduling
 - ii. Item for possible inclusion in newsletter: Midwest Invasive Species Information Network (MISIN) mobile app—report invasive species for removal
 - b. Presentation or video on where recycled items go, or a visit to the surplus store
 - i. Dave Smith from the surplus store gave a similar talk 2-3 years ago, would be good to revisit
 1. Eric will talk to Dave
 - c. Volunteer for rinsing out recyclables
 - i. Might encounter complaints from people who don't want to have an extra bin, lack of volunteers
 - ii. Would it be possible to add washing stations for dishes to bathrooms on the first floor?
 1. Probably unlikely to be approved (budget concerns, etc.), but worth proposing
 2. Jonah will mention to Terri to get a feel for whether or not this is a possibility
 - d. Peter Carrington SPC presentation
 - i. Check in with Pat to see how this is progressing
 1. Jonah will check in with Pat
 - e. Programming on wastewater management, bring in a speaker
 - i. Lia will reach out to the Water Resource Recovery Facility
3. Discuss possibility of starting a seed library at MSU
 - a. MSU Extension has worked with some public libraries already to start seed libraries
 - i. Want to make sure we're coordinating/working collaboratively with area public libraries, not duplicating efforts
 - ii. Some further investigation needed, revisit next meeting
4. Library bike
 - a. Renewal coming up in August or September
 - b. Committee agreed unanimously to renew

- i. Jonah will pursue renewal this month
- c. June or July meeting: discuss how to better promote the bike