

Library Environmental Committee Meeting

– 10/25/2016

Chair: Tim Kiser

Recorder: Jonah Magar

Present: Susan Kendall, Stephanie Perentesis, Eric Tans, Loretta Crum

Regrets: Pat Olson, Katie Emery, Emilia Marcyk, Aaron Tomak

1. Confirm procedure for movement of trash/recycling bins
 - Inform Facilities of the movement taking place; Facilities will notify Custodial.

2. October Beal tour PR: informal poll results, discussion of the use of paper flyers in the future
 - October tour had paper flyers to advertise.
 - o Average turnout
 - o ½ of polled participants saw paper flyers – some were new
 - o ½ got word on the library website
 - We will continue to investigate the effectiveness of paper advertisement, polling participants this way.
 - Revisit collected data in September.

3. Planning for Library Green [re-]Certification
 - Email response has not come quickly. Tim will look into another method of contacting a rep from bespartangreen.

4. News and brainstorming on speakers for winter/spring
 - Leslie Kuhn (spring)
 - o She is willing to talk. A date needs to be set.
 - o Could be an outdoor event in the spring – hopefully May.
 - Winter Events (indoor)
 - o Frank Telewski Tree Succession talk (Feb?)
 - o Value of Native Plants talk (potentially Mar/Apr.)
 - Earth Day?
 - o Possible talk topics: butterfly gardens, rain gardens, Beal horticulturalist...
 - o Possible seed exchange hosted at the library

5. Outlook Calendar

- Systems would have to dedicate a license to the committee.
- To avoid expense, Loretta will look at a Bike Calendar model, or Google Calendar as a fallback

6. New Business

- Membership changes:
 - o Aaron Tomak to resign, effective immediately
 - o Call for membership – not necessary at this time
 - o Any expression of interest should be met with an invitation to join us at a meeting (especially when there is space on the committee)
 - o Tim will speak with a likely, interested candidate
- Ecograms will be covered at a later meeting

Next meeting 11/22/2016