

LEC Minutes April 30, 2013
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I. Recent events.

A. Earth Day:

1. Aaron did his usual excellent job on the Local Food exhibit
2. Recycling game:
 - a. Participation was good.
 - b. There was no “Play Our Recycling Game” sign this year. Its absence might have hurt participation

B. Recyclemania results: Will be reported in the next Ecogram.

C. Spring Library events: LEC members cleaned tableware and utensils at the Faculty Book Award and the Library Staff Spring Social

II. Events for Summer/Fall 2013:

A. Beal tours: June 13 and July 11 at 12:10 p.m. Susan will work on the Fall ones, including one at the Baker woodlot

B. Brainstorming about Fall program: we discussed the following but made no decision. The discussion will continue at the May meeting:

1. Urban farming in Detroit (Alex Bryan of Greater Lansing Food Bank)—Heidi is the point person
2. Alternate solar energy and local co-ops--no one is assigned at this point
3. Complete Streets—Mike is the point person
4. Local food restaurateurs panel—no one is assigned at this point

III. Energy consumption in the Library:

A. Staff consumption: Kriss will touch base with Cliff about sending out a reminder on prudent energy use (e.g., turning off PCs, desk lamps, etc.).

B. Although the computers are purchased by the library, the image (including power settings) is maintained by MSU IT Services. Kriss will find out what the power settings are for these PCs.

IV. Update on projects:

A. Recycling board: Bags that have a plastic coating on the outside and shiny foil on the inside (e.g., some chip and granola bars) CANNOT be recycled and should be listed as “landfill.””

B. Library bike:

1. Bike Storage Space: Circ will be shifting materials in the “E-token storage room” (next to the MSUPD room) at the beginning of the Summer term.
2. The actual bike:
 - a. Ideally, we’d like two. The number depends on how much space can be freed up.
 - b. We’ll get them from the MSU Bikes Service Center. Initially we’ll lease them. Based on what kind of demand is generated, we may eventually purchase them.
 - c. Mike will try to get a model of bike that can easily be adjusted to fit the majority of the staff.
3. Mike needs to see if other MSU units have sign-out forms. If so, he’ll use them to craft a library one. If not, he’ll write one from scratch.

C. New staff orientation:

1. All recent hires have been oriented

2. We're tweaking the environmental section in the employee orientation procedure
D. Mini-bins: We ran out of time. It will be an item at the May meeting

V. Ecogram. It will contain the results of these two MSU recycling events: Community Re-use Days and Recyclemania