

Notes of the LEC meeting 6/22/10

Meeting facilitator: Kriss Notes: Stephanie

Present: Michelle Allen, Hsiang-Ping Cha, Susan Kendall, Elida Marti, Kriss Ostrom, Kate Ojibway, Stephanie Perentesis, Mike Unsworth (by speaker phone)

- Smart Commute - Mike Eight people attended the bike commuting class; 8 also attended the Smart Commute class, where Cathleen Edgerly of CATA spoke. Mike proposed that we bring her back for a fall program on CATA's statewide university clean commute challenge as part of the LEC program series. Mike will contact her for dates and details. The Smart Commute weblink did not get changed to our wiki, and further challenges encountered with Smart Commute organizers were discussed. An update on MSUL participation is forthcoming.
- Drop-Off Recycling Center Update - Kriss Signs for categories of recycling have been changed and are clearer, although this remains a "moving target." All plastics (1-7) are in one container, with only milk jugs as a separate category. The facility has outgrown space for drop-off and finding more is being pursued. Recyclers aim is to get the most cooperation and compliance without people having to understand a lot of detail in making sorting decisions. There is not separate white paper container (included in mixed), because the public will not consistently sort it.
- EcoGram Draft from Last Month - Kriss Kriss will redo the content as bullet points, then send out in two parts--mixed paper as one, batteries as the second--as the next two months' Ecograms.
- Green Certification Certificate - Kriss et al. Suggestions were given for displaying the certificate signed by the university president in the Main Library, including hanging it in the staff lounge.
- Books to Surplus Update - Kriss Kriss reported that we are now caught up on sending materials to surplus.
- Update on Discussion between Kate and Kriss and Jennifer Battle, Office of Campus Sustainability, including Energy-Use Reports - Kate and Kriss VP Poston is not in favor of mandating sustainability, but rather wants to create barriers to bad behavior. This suggests that we should focus on training student employees across the library, continue to invite staff questions to LEC, use green certification as a tool and maintain it, have a presence at library functions like the ice cream social, and "be consistent and make it convenient" to expand people's recycling efforts.
- Purchase of DVD on Recycling Architect This will be purchased and submitted to DMC.
- Library Environment Series Planning Best schedule might be two programs in the fall semester, one in September, one in November, and two programs in the spring (February and April), plus Earth Day programming. The following program topics were suggested: --CATA Clean Commute, Cathleen Edgerly (September) --Clean Energy Initiatives at MSU, which could be identified through the MSU Environmental Science & Policy Program

<http://www.espp.msu.edu/index.php> (November) --Clean Vehicles in the Market --MSU Student Organic Farm --Walkable Communities and the Lansing Sidewalk Survey/Audit

- Beal Garden Tours - Stephanie Peter Carrington should be contacted for a summer Beal Garden Tour. Done: Date and Times: Wednesday, July 21, 11:30 am and 12:30 pm Location: Meet by the little shed and pond, SE end of Beal Gardens Alternative Location (rain, etc.): North Conference Room (W449 Library) for a virtual tour Theme: Plants in History
- Next meeting: Tuesday, August 24, Mike Unsworth, chair, Heidi Schroeder, recorder