

## **LIBRARY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes of Tuesday, March 23, 2010**

Present: Hsiang-Ping C., Susie G., Susan K., Elida M., Kate O., Kriss O., Heidi S., and Mike U. (by speaker-phone). Regrets: Michelle A., Stephanie P., and Michael S. Chair: Susan Kendall  
Recorder: Elida Marti

### **I. Earth Day : April 22, 2010**

1. Status of advertising and contacts about promotion. Heidi was in touch with Theresa about posters that will list Earth Day activities, highlighting the 40th anniversary of its creation. There will be posters at the entrances and at the Writing Center in the main lobby where videos and books display will be presented. Heidi will be organizing a game on recycling and recyclable materials. Posters from last year might be used, too. In addition, there will be other posters on recycling.

Library events calendar Kate sent Earth Day promotional information to Lisa Denison for inclusion in the Library events calendar.

Environmental Studies LibGuide of Jon Harrison Susan K. said that Jon Harrison was updating it but the link to the Earth Day page at a different university was still from 2009 and had not been updated yet by that university.

2. Display (Lobby Writing Center) Videos from Lauren Olsen LEC members looked at the short videos from the Office of Sustainability and the MSU Recyclers. Some will be selected for Earth Day showing. John Shaw will provide the viewing equipment. Books Kate will collect an assortment of books relevant to Earth Day topics to put on display.

3. Presentation for Library Staff A brown bag presentation for the Library Staff was set for Tuesday, April 20, from 12:00 to 12:30. Kate O., Susie G., Kriss O., and Michelle A. will be working on this event (we wanted to do this on Earth Day too, but the North Conference Room is reserved that day for the Faculty Book Collection event).

4. Another meeting prior to Earth Day? An ad hoc meeting to discuss the status of Earth Day preparations will be scheduled. Heidi will send out a Doodle Poll to determine the date and time.

II. Question from L.S.A./Mary Black about what is the most “green” option for cups and plates at Lib. Events.

Discussion was started and then tabled so we can do more investigation on this complicated issue. Susan K. will continue to work on an ecogram on this topic.

III. Ecograms: Do we want to have them on the Intranet and the Library website as well as in the Outlook public folder? Discussed the possibility of having the ecograms on an Internet page. Mike U. volunteered to talk to Kelly S. about the possibility of LEC having a Committee presence on the Libraries website, like the Ergonomic Committee.

IV. Other: Susie G. said that some of the signs on the walls by the recycling bins that had been taken down will be replaced as soon as new bins arrive. Kriss asked if we could add Ed Gildner to the LEC mailing list, and all agreed. Ed has been a tremendous help in monitoring what is happening with the recycling bins in the basement. She also announced that the day for Terry Link's brown bag will be on Wednesday, April 7, from noon to 1:00 pm. Kate suggested that we buy a book for the Library in memory of Michelle Allen's mother. Agreed. Those members who could stay reviewed the Powerpoint on the History of LEC that Mike U. will use in an upcoming presentation at the Michigan Academy of Arts and Letters. Meeting adjourned at 12:30.