

Minutes: GCI meeting 10/12/2010-Third meeting

In attendance: JOHN HINTZ, JEAN DOWNING, BEN FRANEK, JEFF BRUNSKILL, TIM PELTON, CHRIS ROSE, ROBERT COMPTON, ARIO D'AMATO, ELI TOME, JARON NIELSON, MARIANNA WOOD, SUE DAURIA, NAWAL BONOMO, STEVE RIER

Agenda items, in order and as discussed, were:

1. Tim P: review of last Sunday's tree planting in Fernville
2. Jeff B: review of farmers market, which just wrapped up last Friday. It was a success, all farmers seemed to be happy with their participation. Jeff threw out for thought that for next year we need to decide whether to include non-farmers in the market, i.e., there are some vendors who sell non-food wares who are interested in having a table at the market.
3. Nawal Bonomo: wondering what we might do as a group, or at least somewhat collaboratively, on the issue of hunger. Nawal will bring back an outline of more specific ideas for the November 9 meeting.
4. Jeff B: PERC update: Pennsylvania Environmental Resource Council is back in action, after a lack-of-funding induced hiatus. Jeff is our official contact person and wonders whether someone else wants to get involved in this. BU can join PERC for a fee, but with official membership we can get involved more with the group and get in on their official events, etc. Jaron said he would be willing to be put on as a student contact person.
 - Discussion digressed into a discussion about greening our facilities and the frustrations various people have met when trying to get such changes made around campus.
5. Report from the decorating of the Bakeless recycling bins: Chris Podeschi did a study last year to see if the decorated bin increased use of the bin, and the study made it look like there was no difference, but Chris also said that the sample might have been too small to have been statistically conclusive.
6. Eli: mentioned the possibility of putting educational/informative stickers on the trash bins something along the lines of "Are you throwing away something that can be recycled?". Was encouraged to talk to Vince about getting permission and possibly funding to do this.
7. Jeff B: said that we're moving ahead with the climate change teach-in and would like more participation in the planning of the event as it nears
8. We passed around us the draft of the sign for the departments who use 100% recycled paper.