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## Lunenburg Campus

### ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES November 17, 2009

Meeting of the NSCC, Lunenburg Campus Environmental Committee was held in room C103 at 2:30 on November 17, 2009. Present were Blaine Herman, Barbara Feeney, Rose Acker, Richard Grandy, Sacha Evans, Brian Eisener and Cecile Mansfield.

Regrets from Heather Harris-Woodworth.

1. **Schedule:** Meeting time was confirmed as the third Tuesday of the month at 2:30.  
**ACTION:** Cecile will confirm the room booking with Michelle
2. **Battery Disposal:** Blaine is still researching a suitable container. The containers will be placed at each corridor intersection with other trash receptacle.
3. **Kleenex:** The inquiry regarding providing a receptacle for used Kleenex was brought before OH&S committee and the Management Team. The Environmental committee concurred with these groups that the need for this is not there and that responsible people on campus should look after their own soiled tissues.
4. **Pack it in /Pack it out**
  - a. **Wipes:** Wipes are not being discarded properly in some classrooms. This will be put forward to the agenda of the next staff meeting. **ACTION:** Barbara  
Question- are wipes compostable or trash? **ACTION:** Blaine
  - b. **Eating in rooms:** Evidence in some classrooms and computer labs that eating is still happening. This will be put forward for agenda for next Staff meeting.  
**ACTION:** Barbara.
  - c. **Trades workshops:** Next to have the waste bins removed from work area. This will need some discussion to meet the needs of the program. Region 6 staff will be asked to assist in helping trades programs with proper "Streaming" of waste items. This issue will be taken to Management Meeting. **ACTION:** Blaine
  - d. **Offices:** In December, receptacles for black trash will be removed from offices.
5. **Parking Passes for Car Poolers:** a policy will be created using the model from other campuses to establish a special pass for students and staff who carpool with two or more people. There will be designated spaces for these vehicles. To find out level of interest, a message will be sent to "all Lunenburg" asking interested parties to apply for the special spots located outside the cafeteria, in front of the building and along the wall closest to the building in the student parking area. **ACTION:** Barbara
6. **Computers:** Computers in the Link and computer labs turn off automatically at 4pm, 8 pm and 10pm. and stay off after 10. They boot up in the middle of the night for upgrading before they close down again. This can overridden if a student of staff is working on the computer. Other office computers will have this shutdown eventually but not laptops.  
**ACTION:** Sacha

7. **Contaminated refundables:**

- a. **Liquids:** Rose commented that there were refundables that were contaminated by people not emptying their bottle before they put it in the bin. Any Liquid that spills out of the bottle makes the entire bay impossible to refund. These bottles are taken by staff who wash them and refund them personally. A student sent a request/suggestion to Blaine about putting a container in the vicinity of the recycle/refundable bin so that people could empty their containers before they toss them. A container for liquids will be purchased and placed near the bin.  
**ACTION:** Blaine
  - b. **Funds:** The possibility of using these refundables for campus fund raising efforts was discussed. In the past, there was a lack of responsibility resulting in pests being attracted to the bags of bottles. If a reasonable system could be established to capture the bottles, they would be used for fundraising. **ACTION:** Barbara
8. **Projectors:** LCD projectors need to be shut off when they are not in use in the classroom. This is the same for the Smartboards in some classrooms. These pieces of equipment cause heat and motor sounds when they are on.
  9. **Lights:** Many rooms have new switches which automatically turn them off. Some rooms have been more than one photocell making it possible to illuminate part of the room.
  10. **Doors:** Faculty and Staff need to remember to lock classroom doors when the class is over. This will be put on the agenda for the next staff meeting. **ACTION:** Barbara
  11. **Green Day:** Is there a college wide Green Day? Bill Strubeck will be asked about this.  
**ACTION:** Blaine
  12. **Student participation:** A student will be asked to be on the committee. Darcy Houghton Student is Community Disability Worker program has shown interest in the committee and will be invited to become a member of the Environmental Committee.  
**ACTION:** Barbara
  13. **Next Meeting:** December 15, 2:30 pm

**Meeting adjourned 3:30 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by: Barbara Feeney