

Minutes for Tuesday, January 8, 2008 IWMAC Meeting

Welcomed new IWMAC member Nell Neal

Members in attendance:

Neal Ferris
Kimberly Nadeau
Shelley Mitchell

Nell introduced herself:

Teacher at Moharimet Elementary
When a resident of Dover served on Conservation Commission
Swap shop volunteer

Scott – Grad Student

Litter issues

Nell asks for information on Oyster River School recycling liaison position.

Shelley explained the liaison is open ended with a goal of creating dialog between all the schools – high school, middle school, and the two elementary schools: Mast Way & Moharimet in the area of reducing, reusing, and recycling.
Possible school wide downtown cleanup

Kim is interested in gathering information on what kinds of recycling is taking place within the schools and can IWMAC be of assistance.

Nell will be the School Recycling Liaison

Has found a contact within each school
Need district backing to arrange cardboard/can/bottle pick up at Moharimet
3 teachers with worm bins compost snack food waste from their classes.

Shelley offered committee support

She explained about the possible locations for Educational Displays – Library, Town Hall, Post Office, Schools

Nell's Goal:

Children carry this culture into life with them for taking care of the earth.

She created an *Energy Saver Job*with in her classroom.

Swap Shop Volunteer Event:

Kim will check with Jen Berry on room availability

IDEA: Place settings from swap shop or bring your own
Shelley requested people bring any interested potential members

Newsletter draft/timeline to be presented in February meeting

Neal apprised the committee of the regional waste water disposal ongoing issue. The regional organization is still trying to decide between 4 alternatives: continue with a local approach, have some communities share disposal methods, go for the "big pipe" regional method where all treated water is funneled into the ocean, or promote land application. Any updates should be posted on their website - Coastalclear.org. Our Durham town engineer, David Cedarholm, represents our town on the regional group.

Neal also raised again the question of pharmaceuticals ending up in the wastewater, regardless of whether Durham elects to go with the proposal being considered to have treated sludge sold to farmers. Dave Cedarholm is aware of this issue - of concern to many.

Other Business

Shelley asks for interest in attending NRRA Conference (June 9 & 10)
www.NRRA.net

*****DCAT Taping of up to 4 IWMAC meetings this year. Thanks to Craig Stevens
Plan is to broadcast our meeting over DCAT. Certainly it is important that we respect
Craig's time and ask all to arrive no later than 7:25 am so that we can begin at 7:30 and
conclude at 9:00 am sharp.*****

Neal Ferris motions to adjourn meeting
Kim Nadeau seconds