

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF MEETING

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE | WASTE REDUCTION SUBCOMMITTEE March 19, 2024 | 7:30 p.m.

Via Zoom: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85768271781?pwd=DmVK78RcC6alisZDq5iXzi6SkBagYB.1

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Item 1: Call to Order: 7:33 P.M.

Item 2: Approval of meeting notes, February

Item 3: Public Participation: None

Item 4: School Waste Initiative

- Lunch tray Composting program
 - Started successfully at Walton
 - Greenwood is using trash barrels for composting along with usual green composting barrels
 - Woodville has increased volume with new compostable trays and due to it being the largest school
 - Discussed adding multiple composting barrels vs. multiple pick-ups to address increased composting volume
 - Woodville is not using the certified compostable trays and are incorrectly composting the previous trays
 - ESC members will continue to provide in-school support for students for composting program
- Tiana shared Black Earth Composting fundraiser opportunity to send a flyer home to families to receive a discount if they sign up for home composting
- Discussed tracking the number of compost sign-ups between schools as competition
- Christina followed-up with Dolbeare Principal regarding Composting Program and they are concerned with taking this on due to limited staff support and parent volunteers during lunch. Plan to re-visit in the fall.
- Tiana attended a MA Recycling Conference and shared that other schools are utilizing bus drivers between driving shifts to monitor composting programs during school hours.
- Discussed liquid disposal from composted foods reduces the weight for custodial staff with composting

Item 5: April Recycling and Sustainability Event

- Will have plastic pet food packaging and Battery Recycling and raffle of Rain Barrel at the ESC table



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Item 6: Matters unanticipated:

Ideas for summer events: Sports Equipment Swap and Repair/Fix It Café- Can partner with Lend and Mend

Item 7: Next meeting: April 23, 2024

Item 8: Meeting Adjourned at 8:04 P.M.