

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE**

NOTICE OF MEETING

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE | WASTE REDUCTION SUBCOMMITTEE

November 15, 2023, | 7:30 p.m.

Via Zoom: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81060712359?pwd=OEN5Z3AvM0xBeEZ4MGNDTUx1YldNQT09

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ITEM 1: Call to Order (7:32 pm)

ITEM 2: Public Participation: None

ITEM 3: Approval of meeting notes, October

ITEM 4: Halloween Candy Wrapper Recycling

- Candy wrapper box was filled at library
- The boxes are still at the schools but have been emptied each had a good volume of wrappers
- Still need to check on middle school and high school
- Candy wrapper recycling was much more successful this year due to better promotion, all schools signing on

## ITEM 5: School Waste Initiative

- Melissa talking to Nathanial about Galvin recycling interested in possibly starting a "green team" and trying to meet with a teacher to get faculty support
- Dolbeare food rescue re-started this week with two new lunch ladies; Christina to check in on Friday. Dolbeare not ready for composting.

## ITEM 6: Green Business Program

- Got some feedback from chamber board members and drafted some potential responses to their suggestions/inquiries
- Received feedback from two local businesses in our survey both interested in the program (Velvet Green Organic Lawn Care and Harts Ace Hardware)



- Suggested idea of doing local business spotlights for biz owners to discuss their green initiatives work with WCAT
- Christina to work on an FAQ sheet to add to website
- Next steps: Check back on survey results after Thanksgiving and then set up another call with Chamber and Erin Kokinda to discuss possibility of going door to door to local businesses.

ITEM 7: Matters unanticipated: none

ITEM 8: Next Meeting: December 20, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm