

Minutes of Meeting, 11/5/07
Green Sanctuary Committee

Present: Steve Votey, Pam Person, Tom Stipe, Kay Hansen, Karen Wigglesworth, Betty Massie

1. Newsletter-There have been technical difficulties in getting submission of this committee into the newsletter. Agreed upon solution is that Betty will email to Karen who will email them to Lance.
2. Hole in Kitchen-This was a follow up from a previous meeting. Kay will contact John Fink to see if the hole serves a purpose. If John does not know she will then contact Dan Ray to see if he does. The hole will be dealt with in the kitchen renovation, assuming it takes place.
3. Action Plan-Several ideas were generated about possible projects for a year long action with other groups. Kay will contact Fran Stehman to inquire if anyone in the church is on the board of the food pantry. Kay will also contact Dartha Reid to inquire about possibilities with Faith in Action. Steve will look into the Cool Cities Program. Steve also suggested a county wide recycling co operative and will talk with Tom Martin, Jim Fisher and John Fink about this.
4. Visit with sr. youth group-Steve and Karen met with the sr. youth group on 11/4/07 to see if they would be interested in doing a project which would qualify as a green sanctuary activity. Nothing definite emerged but they will think it over and hopefully develop their own ideas. The group will contact Steve should they wish to participate.
5. Church policies-Steve wondered where this stood. Tom Martin made an announcement at the annual meeting a few weeks ago that the process was moving along but was not yet finished.
6. Web site-UUCE has a new web site and Steve will submit information about this committee to it.
7. Recycling-Kay reported that she and Jared took the recycling to the transfer station on Oct. 16 and there appears to be enough collected to have someone take it about one time per month. Kay volunteered to continue to do this. A thank you to Kay and Jared will appear in the next newsletter.
8. Building maintenance-Work completed with a green approach includes: new toilettes are water and flush efficient, energy efficient light bulbs installed in lamps at main entrance, towel dispensers have been installed in bathrooms which use recycled paper, non pressurized wood used for new mail box (it is Eastern white cedar)
9. Misc.-Karen will teach a global warming course beginning in January for adult education at UUCE. There was discussion about hazardous waste pick up. Focus the Nation will be on 2/2/08, location and time to be arranged. Lieberman-Warner bill to come before the U.S. Senate and all are encouraged to call Senators Snow and Collins urging their support. Pam will email Kay the details of this so Kay may include it in the Order of Service.

Acting Secretary-Betty Massie