

Plan Implementation Advisory Committee Minutes

2/22/21 | 9:00AM

Virtual Meeting

Members Present: Ohren, Williams, Bukowski, Weinert, Seegert, Stone, Simmons, Naples

Members Absent: Naud

BPW Liaison: Lauren Smith

Public Present: None

Staff Present: Eggermont, Garramone

Weinert called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

Public Comment

None

Roll Call

Weinert is present and attending remotely from the City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI.

Ohren is present and attending remotely from the City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI.

Simmons is present attending remotely from Manhattan, Riley County, Kansas.

Seegert is present and attending remotely from Salem Township, Washtenaw County, MI

Bukowski is present and attending remotely from the City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI

Stone is present and attending remotely from the City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI.

Williams is present and attending remotely from Chelsea, Washtenaw County, MI.

Smith is present and attending remotely City of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, MI.

Naples is present (as of 9:15) and attending remotely from City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI.

Naud is not present.

Approval of Agenda

Approval of agenda without amendment moved by Ohren, seconded by Stone. All in favor.

Approval of 1/25/21 Minutes

Smith requested a correction to UM *School* of Public Health. Ohren noted Stone and Williams should be added in member's present.

Approval of minutes as amended moved by Ohren, seconded by Stone. All in favor.

Committee Member Conflict of Interest Disclosure

None

Reports and Updates

County Updates – Eggermont brought attention to the Board of Public Works recent vote to allocate \$50,000 per year of sponsorships for five years to NextCycle Michigan teams in Washtenaw County. The applications will still be reviewed by this committee as necessary. A press release was picked up, Eggermont will share. He also noted Clean Up Days are beginning to be scheduled, and an interactive map was created for the pharmaceutical take-back program for the public to find locations.

Member Updates –

RAA – Weinert announced the MRF reopening is still on schedule to open in November. The MRF design will be finalized this week, and MachineX will fabricate new equipment onsite in mid-summer.

Seegert noted the MRF in Salem TWP near Arbor Hills Landfill is still under evaluation to determine the extent of any structural damage.

WRRMA – Eggermont updated that City of Ann Arbor passed a resolution to join WRRMA in January. Naples said the City of Ann Arbor is excited about the opportunities possible as a member. She also noted Ann Arbor will pass a new contract with RAA soon for residential recycling and are looking to a new commercial collection contract.

The committee discussed potential for increasing efforts on standardizing recycling, particularly in educational efforts in a post-pandemic reset. The committee would like to discuss further at later meetings.

WWRA – Williams will install the new AI sorter in June and has spoken with the City of Dexter about the potential of processing their recyclables.

Subcommittee Updates

Education – Stone will post the meeting summary on Dropbox. The committee discussed extended producer responsibility and plastic film recycling and is looking to support and promote the County's NextCycle Michigan collaboration.

Evaluation – The committee prioritized the Zero Waste and Clean up Days evaluation and reviewed the Waste Reduction Sponsorship program.

Officer Elections

Former chair James Harless has resigned to focus on other commitments. Eggermont added that according to the bylaws, members can serve multiple functions on the board as long as commitments do not overlap. The appointment made today will take effect immediately, and new elections will be made in April as usual.

Ohren nominated Weinert to take role of chair. Williams seconded the nomination. Weinert did not accept the nomination, noting he would prefer to remain as vice-chair.

Simmons nominated Stone for chair. Ohren supported. Stone accepted the nomination. All in favor.

Stone was willing to continue as secretary if necessary, and noted that the role is reviewing and signing the minutes from County staff

Ohren nominated Stone to continue as secretary. Simmons supported. All in favor.

Old Business

Review Program Evaluations

Eggermont reviewed the SWOT evaluation with prioritized recommendations from the evaluation subcommittee for both the Zero Waste Event and County Clean Up Days programs.

New Business

Waste Reduction Sponsorship Program SWOT Evaluation

Eggermont presented an overview of the Waste Reduction Sponsorships program. The committee conducted a SWOT analysis of the program.

Next Steps

The evaluation subcommittee will prioritize items from SWOT analysis for the Sponsorship program. Stone requested forwarding past materials created from the group about the sponsorships to the new members.

Eggermont noted Waste Knot will be presented for a SWOT analysis at the next meeting.

Public Comment

None

The meeting adjourned at 10:41 A.M. moved by Ohren, seconded by Bukowski. All in favor.

Minutes prepared by Isabella Garramone

Minutes approved by 
Nancy Y. Stone (Mar 22, 2021 16:49 EDT)

Nancy Stone, Secretary

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