AQIP Green Initiatives/Recycling Action Project Team
April 26, 2013

Present: Larry Gawthrop, Lisa Poma, Dale Weighill, Laura Tripp, Dave Rembiesa, Dianne McClure, Carri Farah, Becky Gale-Gonzalez and Desiree Lodorjian

Absent: Larry Juchartz, Ken Martin, Jodi Michael, Wendell Brandon and Chuck Wade

Welcome: Lisa opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Minutes: The minutes of the April 12, 2013 meeting were distributed and approved as published.

Review of Revised Charter: Larry Gawthrop, Larry Juchartz, Lisa Poma and Dale Weighill met this week to review and edit the “draft” Charter. The draft was condensed to two paragraphs. The revised Charter was reviewed by the team and approved.

Status of Inventory: Are there areas of the college that have not been captured related to recycling or waste management such as Health Sciences, the Auto Lab, Photography and others? Carri is going to follow up with Tim Broomfield and Amanda Krok at the PPO. After some discussion on the best way to get these areas on our list, it was decided that we would ask the Leadership Group. A survey will be sent to the members of the Leadership Group to see what recycling and waste management efforts are being done in their area. There was discussion about working with IR to create the survey. Dave Rembiesa will put together the language for the email which will be sent out the week or two following graduation/end of semester.

Next Steps: The information from the survey will be added to a comprehensive list of campus-wide recycling efforts and then be studied/analyzed by the team to determine gaps or strategies for improvement/enhancement.

Best Practices: What can we learn from others? Lisa asked if the team or some members of the team were interested in visits to other community colleges/institutions to learn more about their recycling programs. She will schedule dates to visit Oakland Community College and St. Clair Community College. Lisa asked for volunteers to do some additional Internet research on programs at the other colleges and institutions. Dianne and Desiree volunteered. Dianne and Laura shared some of the information from a recent recycling webinar. They both felt the webinar was more geared to residential and not to commercial or educational facilities. Both thought that the information was very interesting and presented many things that you could do in your own home.

Michigan Recycling Coalition Conference: Becky plans to attend the conference all three days. Dianne and Desiree may attend some of the day sessions depending on their schedules. There was a consensus that someone from PPO and/or Auxiliary Services should be attending some of these sessions. Lisa will send Amanda Krok and Jim Chybowski an email with the information about the conference.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Friday, May 17, 2013 at 12:00 noon in the CTL area.