

SWPPP Meeting – 11/11/04

Present: Rich Axler, Tim Bates, Cindy Hagley, Nicole Hynum, Mahjoub Labyad, Candice Richards, Jesse Schomberg, David Schimpf, , recorder Cheryl Anderson.

Absent: Tom Beery, Bev Ecklund, Tim Holst, Erik Larson, Marnie Lonsdale, Zandy Zwiebel

Minutes from 4/30/04 were approved. Approved minutes will be posted on the SWPPP Website.

Introductions

The Annual Campus Meeting will be held as a “brown bag” during the week of January 24, 2005.

The Stormwater Steering committee meeting scheduled for 12-9-04 will stand as scheduled. A reminder notice will be sent.

Our final report draft is due to the Twin Cities campus by March 1, 2005.

Rich Axler reported from the last RSPT meeting, which was held on November 10th. June 4th 2005 is the date of the “Watershed Festival”, a celebration of streams and lakes intended to promote awareness, practice and products that benefit area streams. Further details will be announced as they become available. In addition, a proposal is being submitted to the Coastal Program for additional funding for the Lake Superior Streams web site.

Also related to the work of the RSPT, Candice will show the 3 commercials that have been running locally at the December 9th Steering Committee meeting.

Nicole Hynum handed out copies of the preliminary results of the campus litter survey she and Jesse Schomberg organized. The focus of the survey was to sample student attitudes about litter on campus, why people litter, and who should be responsible for litter removal on the campus grounds. Nicole will provide a final update at the December 9th Steering Committee meeting. The information compiled by this survey will help to determine the direction of the litter sub-committee in the future.

John Weiske reported via email on the Housing dumpsters. In the past, there have been problems with trash blowing out of the dumpsters, creating litter problems in Housing areas. John reported that Housing has new dumpsters with increased capacity but litter from cars parked along St. Marie Street and Junction Avenue continues to be a problem.

Group discussed “Grounds Standards” in relation to grounds management and maintenance. FM grounds crew is working on a draft plan to define standard levels of appearance and care for specific areas of the UMD campus. Anyone wishing to get involved is welcome to do so by contacting Peggy Dahlberg at x7295.

Mahjoub Labyad brought an idea forward on campus neighborhood stream cleaning, where college students work with their neighbors to foster positive relationships and keep the streams clean. It was suggested that Mahjoub present his idea to the RSPT group because they are focused on community education and awareness on a region-wide basis, not just UMD.

Candice outlined the remaining BMP work that needs to be completed before the Annual Review in January. A detailed list was included in the agenda. Drafts of BMPs 613, 604, 603, and 602 were distributed for review and comment before the December 9th meeting. Members not in attendance at this meeting will receive copies of the agenda and BMP drafts through intercampus mail so they will have the materials needed for comment.

Meeting Adjourned