

**ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE
OF THE PARTNERSHIP FOR A GREEN CITY
MINUTES**

April 15, 2009

Gheens Academy, Room 204

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Attendance: Marelle Gianelloni, Julie Shinton-Fried, Bill Kennedy, Jason Sanchez, Natalie Abram, Leslie Wuorenmaa, Jerrimica Lock, Darleen Horton, Michelle, Joan Shanahan

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Emily Conn. Introductions were made.

I. New Business:

1. Suggestions for the Environmental Education Committee organization for the up-coming year:
 - Determine what all the other committees are and the purpose of each committee. Then, identify the EEC committee members who are interested in attending some of the other committee's meetings.
 - Work on developing more PD's on Environmental Education. Reach out and create a master list of EE PD's available to the community. Some of these PD's would be available to anyone in the community interested in learning about Environmental Education. The committee could spend time working on and developing PD's during the EEC meetings which will provide the committee with more of a focus and purpose.

II. Working Groups:

1. "What should Environmental Educators know about Jefferson County" document discussion: We have 6 complete submissions thus far. If anyone would like assistance on their portion or needs some direction please email cenvired@louisville.edu and we will provide assistance. It was suggested that the documents that have been submitted be sent out to the committee.

III. Announcements:

1. Darleen Horton: Chenoweth Elementary's Earth Day Celebration is on April 22nd. Beginning at 10:30 a.m. 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students will be putting on a program, including presentation of their stone carved time capsule, several readings, and performing a rap they have written. At 2:30 p.m. the Kindergartners, 1st and 2nd graders will be singing "the whole world in our hands" and passing out globes. Everyone is welcome!

2. Bill Kennedy: The Ecology club at Kennedy Montessori, which includes 3rd, 4th and 5th graders, will be putting on an Earth Day celebration all day on Thursday April 23rd.
3. Marcelle Gianelloni: The Zoo's Earth Day event is on Sunday April 26th from 10-2. \$1 admission day. It is the Mayors community celebration. The Beargrass creek award will be presented, which is going to Angela Page. Wal-Mart will be giving free shopping bags to the first 10,000 attendees.
4. Julie Fried: Brightside is celebrating Earth Day with a pre-derby cleanup on April 22nd. This will include picking up litter and mulching landscaping throughout Louisville. If your organization or school would like to be involved email Julie Shinton-Fried at Julie.shintonfried@louisville.gov for more information on the event.
5. The Earth Day perspective compilation is completed. Several Environmental Education stories from various individuals are included. There is going to be a limited printing. If you are interested in receiving a copy please contact Donna Griffin at Donna.griffin@jefferson.kyschools.us. Also, you may view the project online by googling- JCPS Global Connections, Earth Day Perspectives and the document will come up on line.
6. Phyllis Croce: The X-Stream Clean Sweep sponsored by MSD and Living Lands and Waters is on May 30 from 9am to Noon. Sign-up and site information, and fliers for down-loading will be available by the end of the month on the Living Lands and Waters website:
www.livinglandsandwaters.org

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m. by Emily Conn.