# **AS** Composting

January 23, 2008 Environmental Office

### Call to Order

ASC was called to order at 3:30p.m. by Elizabeth Otter - Coordinator

# **ROLL CALL**

Scott Bull- advisor Liz Otter- Coordinator Stanly Cui Amy Liu Ian Wogan Carisa Woods Jessi Hurd- Leg Rep

# ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES TARDIES, AND EXCUSED ABSENCES None

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

# NEW BUSINESS

1. First project of the quarter: Having bins reviewed

There was discussion about having the bins reviewed by a local expert to see if they need to be adjusted or replaced. However, even if the bins can be made more efficient, the adjustments might not be necessary because the bins are too small to effectively deal with local waste. If the bins remain to be used primarily for educational purposes adjustments might be too expensive or ineffective to take place. In order to deal with local waste there would either have to be a great rise in number (40+ like Berkeley system) or one very large bin would have to be constructed. This increase is not practical for the size available in Peoples' Park, but is something to be considered as the project expands.

#### 2. Creating a website

There was discussion regarding the creation of the first ASC website. Information and pictures will be collected in the next month, and a meeting with a website creator was scheduled for the first week of February. The goal is to have the website completed by mid-February.

#### 3. Outreach ideas

There was discussion regarding events in Peoples' Park in order to spread project awareness. Ideas such as a barbeque and educational workshop where people learn to build their own bins were considered. There was also discussion of forming a program where people are rewarded for harvesting their compost. Furthermore, there was discussion of creating pamphlets, t-shirts, and educational posters. 4. Next week's meeting was planned for the same time.

Goal for the week: Contact Bill about examining the efficiency of the bins, collecting information for the website, and contacting Park and Rec to see what events can be hosted in the park.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting ended at 5:15.

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