Environmental Justice Meeting minutes – 4.24.13

Attending: Andrew Rome (chairing), Ted & Swanny Voneida, Angela Barzizza-Young, Caroline Arnold, Melissa Carvill-Zeimer, Mary Maske

- Special Collection ideas
 - o Local
 - County Clothing Center recycling, keeping out of landfills, 28/30 tons per month out of landfill
 - Funding cut, current capital campaign
 - Paired with volunteer
 - National/international
 - Greenpeace, Sea Shepard, Tar Sands group

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- Hurricane Sandy
 - Clean up
- o International
- Watch for emerging issues
- Green Sanctuary
 - o Identify a chair (or failing that Ted Voneida)
 - Advertise for chair,
 - Energy Audit
 - "\$500 in our account" Swanny,
- Battery Recycling Elaine Bowen
 - o Put on website, thread, sign,
 - Push for donations in the next weeks
- Priorities for the year
 - o Fracking
 - Food/Agriculture issues (Sally Burnell)
 - Farmers market, locavore
 - Vericulture high school
 - High school water Chris Carmen (HS environmental science, environmental club)
 - o Past event with water
 - Food at local high school/middle school Angela Barzzi Young
 - Styrofoam trays -
 - Water (Tom Lily)
 - Climate Change
 - Shattered Earth movie
 - Contrast with global warming
- Event ideas
 - o Movie

- Bidder 70 shaker church 5/10
- Permaculture movie
- o Letter writing continue?
- o Garlic Mustard Pull continue?
- o Fall Event -
 - Global warming, precious garbage
 - September service, earth & water service
 - Add some environmental justice issue
 - Integrating social/environmental justice into Sunday services
 - Environmental issue of the month
 - o Specific issue, action to take
 - o May, Environmental Justice, Issue of the Month, Andrew
 - o June, County Clothing Center, Caroline
 - o July, Global Warming, Ted
 - o August, Angela
 - Sunday program committee
 - Seeking services for Melissa's leave
 - o Environmental
 - RE program
 - o Summer Angela will meet with Karen,
 - o organize kids to talk to school board
 - Interfaith effort
 - UCC,
 - Ask Caroline
 - Parks, Portage Parks District, levy support
- Melissa conversation
 - o Ucc, trinity Lutheran,
 - o Fall walden
 - Ed Stolish
 - Weekend
 - Perhaps invite other churchs
 - Low threat no theological disagree

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