

## **IMAGINE GREEN MINUTES – Dec. 13, 2007**

**Present** – Mercy Davison, Julie Elzanati, Mike Brown, Michelle Covi, Joe Grabill (Myra Gordon absent)

**Resignation** – Christina Schulz and Aimee Bullinger and Michelle Covi

Thanks for exceptional service. Michelle: 106 Avon Lane, Greenville, NC 27858, 252—830-2910. Possibly working on Ph.D. at East Carolina U in coastal resources

**Membership** -- Mike Brown has joined us. We have invited Enid Cardinal, Larry Shapiro, and Yadira Ruiz to join.

**Working Groups** – See minutes. None yet for Quality of Life.

1. **Joe** -- Four conversations were especially significant to me during the meetings of the Working Groups.

-- Ron Maier said, Why are we meeting? People won't come to meetings unless there is a compelling reason to be present that motivates.

-- Abby Jahiel said that she had interns who were giving green symbols to local businessES that were meeting certain standards.

-- Tom Bierma said that we need to establish metric green standards.

-- Larry Shapiro said that we need to identify multiply areas of green activity, and offer incentives for people to improve their performance by giving out incremental green symbols./c

I had a talk with Tom Bierma last Saturday night and he said he would be happy to work on areas of green activity for which we can establish incremental metric standard and green symbols.

People have volunteered to do a number of things, and we will go forward with that.

2. **Mercy** – Who could give leadership to Environment group?

Suggests contacting Seven Generations at Oak Park and checking out Quality of Life survey.

3. **Julie** -- She will go over all of our documents so far, and come up common themes and action plans by Jan. 10. Discussion of possible agendas for Imagine Green.

4. **General** – Come up with State of the Env. once a year.

Keep afternoon session possibility for Expo.

Get copy of Abby's student's paper to circulate.

### **Co-sponsorship with Mennonite Church**

Tues., Feb. 12 field trip to MerryLea environmental center at Goshen College – Julie Elzanati, Janet Beach Davis, Jessica Chambers, IWU?

Sat., March 1 -- Presentation by Luke Gascho, head of MerryLea on the Biblical basis for environmentalism

March 1 or 2, during day – Symposium on Green Building and Land Use

### **Potential Partnership with Fox 43, WMBD**

Meeting with Ray Rybarczyk, Wed noon, Jan. 16. (Mike Brown, Anne McGowan) at 2714 E. Lincoln

Ray wants to develop a special Green section in the news

**Next meeting – Jan. 17, EAC, 11:30**