



Earth Action Committee

Minutes – July 13, 2022

Zoom Call

Board Members: Laura Jones, Alexandra Profant

Member-Employees: Kiya Villarreal, Emily

Members: Holly Sage

1. **Welcomes and Review** – At 6:46pm the meeting was called to order.

2. **Approve August Minutes**

Approved by consensus.

3. **Member Comments**

- Holly – From the minutes of the last meeting Roger asked about putting up a display about plastics in the store. Is that plastics from shipping and packaging?
 - o Kiya – yes, shipping and packaging plastics.
 - o Holly – it seems this idea would be overwhelming and depressing.
 - Holly – I’m not getting the Co-op News anymore. I would like to get that again, including the flyer in the stores.
 - o Laura – I miss the Co-op News as well.
 - Laura – I miss the suggestion box on the floor. There is no visible place for visitor feedback.
- ACTION: Kiya will follow up with store managers about the suggestion box.

4. **Local Recycling**

Humboldt Waste Management Authority is closing their onsite recycling center on Hawthorn Street in Eureka for e-waste, mixed plastics and appliances. They are in the works to secure a new site in Arcata. They are closing because SB233 includes requirements for an organic waste facility. The Hawthorn site will start receiving organic waste and the future facility in Arcata will eventually start receiving what used to be taken at the Hawthorn site.

5. **New Durable Campaign**

We are in the process of creating a campaign about using durables at the Co-op. This includes new branded logos, “Bring Your Own” Durables. This is to make sure people understand they can, and are encouraged to, bring their own durables to use in the store. We are hoping others in the community will pushing Bring Your Own as well. We are also working with Zero Waste Humboldt to promote this widely. Our goal is to help people feel comfortable bring their own clean durables to use in our stores.

- Alexandra – I would like to suggest that the stores purchase something to help with washing durables.

6. **Member Comments**

- Holly – I would like members to be encouraged to bring their own flatware to the Annual Meeting.

7. **Next Meeting Date**

September 14, 2022

Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm

Minutes by Emily Walter