

Earth Action Committee

Minutes – March 9, 2022 Zoom Call

Board Members: Roger, Laura

Member-Employees: Kiya Villarreal, Emily

Members:

1. Welcomes and Review – At 6:47pm the meeting was called to order.

2. Approve August Minutes

Approved by consensus.

3. Member Comments

Member Linda Lee spoke with Kiya about the packed down prepared foods area in the Arcata store. What are we doing to get away from packing foods in plastic? Kiya has been looking for packaging with fiber-based bottoms with compostable plastic lids. We have these for the hot bar in Eureka.

4. Earth Day – reported by Kiya

We are planning an event Friday, April 22, 11am-3pm at both stores. City of Arcata and city of eureka (Eco Eureka) plan to attend our events. Zero Waste Humboldt and CRTP, WRRAP, Redwood Coast Energy Authority, Full Cycle Compost also plan to attend. North Coast Env. Center, Cooperation Humboldt, Humboldt Waste Management Authority, Recology, Master Food Preservers, Beekeepers Association, Packout Green Team might participate. There will be a giveaway. This year's events will be larger than in previous years.

- Roger suggests having electric cars on display.
- Alexandra would love to hear advertisements for the Earth Day on the radio. Perhaps have a collection bin for used plant pots.

5. SB 1383 – reported by Kiya

The state is increasing requirements for edible food recovery. The Co-op is already in compliance. The county is working to get restaurants, hotels, grocery stores and schools in compliance.

6. Earth Action Committee Meeting Frequency

With current lack of member participation, aside from board members, it doesn't seem necessary to have the Earth Action Committee meet monthly.

- Roger I suggest moving the meetings to every other month. I would like to see a one-page feature solely about the Co-ops sustainability actions, separate from the Co-op News.
- Alexandra I would like a directory with all the organizations we interact with in a pamphlet.

7. Next Meeting Date

May 11, 2022

Minutes by Emily Walter