



Buffalo Grove  
Park District



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Environmental Action Team

**MINUTES  
ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION TEAM MEETING  
BUFFALO GROVE PARK DISTRICT  
JUNE 7, 2012**

- 1. Call to Order**

Jeff Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A new member joined us, Diane Flynn, who works at Siemens and is a member of the Siemens sustainability network and is active in the community with Scouts and swimming. Welcome, Diane!
- 2. Adopt-A-Highway Event**

No date has been set for this event in the fall.
- 3. Buffalo Creek Clean Water Partnership**

This new watershed group, founded by Jeff Weiss and eight members from EAT, held a well-attended first public meeting in April and has scheduled follow up meetings for June and September. At the June meeting, we will vote on priority of watershed issues and actions. A range of volunteer activities are going on, including stewardship, water quality monitoring and stream assessments. The Partnership has a web master Matt Pomilia from EAT and a web site, [www.buffalocreekcleanwater.org](http://www.buffalocreekcleanwater.org). We are applying for a Clean Water Act grant through the EPA to develop a detailed watershed-based plan. We have received letters of support from twenty agencies, businesses and non-profits so far, including the Village and the Park District. Buffalo Grove is critical to our success!
- 4. Green Fair**

Debi Mortiz reported on the press releases that were sent out and the posters that were made for the Green Fair and there was a discussion regarding set up that day. Arrangements were finalized for publicity, security, tables for booths, tents and banners.
- 5. Bicycle Event at Farmers' Market**

The bicycle event will be held at the Farmers Market on July 22. Mark Steuer is the event leader and hopes to outdo last years' donation of 95 bikes to Working Bikes Cooperative. Arrangements for publicity and volunteer help are nearly complete.

- 6. Buffalo Grove Days**  
Debi reported that arrangements for recycling at BG Days should be similar to last year's. We requested two hours of booth time on Saturday afternoon.
- 7. Electronic Recycling**  
This event will be sponsored by SWANCC on September 15. It will be held at the same location as last year.
- 8. Membership**  
Other than the welcome for Diane, there was nothing new to report.
- 9. Member Updates**  
Josh Hatch discussed worm bins and community composting. We will follow up on those topics next meeting.  
  
Jeff Weiss noted the work that EAT member Todd Katz is doing with his environmental science class at Whitney Young High School and offered to circulate a recap of what they accomplished to interested EAT members.
- 10. Next meeting**  
**The next meeting will be August 16.** This was rescheduled because of a conflict on the earlier agreed upon date. Please attend and be a part of the planning for BG Days.
- 11. Adjournment.**  
The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.