

Minutes Of Green Flag Meeting Held 14th September

Present: Dr Milburn, Mrs Bowyer, Mr Webber, Hannah Lethbridge, Bryony Franco, Jenny Grey, Doug Mullins, Tim Andrews, Rowan Bartlett, George Tinkler, Tristan Bol, Matt Harding, Gareth Williams, Sam Edwards, Bryony Foster, Heather A, Ann Katryn Hendry, Miss Atkinson.

Mr Webber rambled on too much in a bid to explain what projects and opportunities had arisen. There was an update from GOF (Growing Our Future). Next meeting there will be more time for students to give thoughts on various matters and take the lead.

Items covered were:

- (1) George Tinkler and Gareth Williams kindly offered to find Miss Atkinson and sort out a plan for paper recycling bins. In particular, finding tutor groups best placed to help the office staff empty their bins.
- (2) Ann Katryn (GOF) gave an update of the food project. GOF would like all students to know they are very welcome to help in the gardens. Any ideas that encouraged all students to value the gardens would be welcome.
- (3) GOF would like to see all food waste being composted and a system for doing this should be considered. Doug pointed out that lots of food bins in classrooms could get smelly so this needs careful thought.
- (4) Mr Webber explained the various energy projects that the college has been invited to participate in. End to end solar panels, 2 wind turbines, energy dials for all classrooms. A number of students said they were willing to speak to consultants and show them around. KRW will be in touch as appropriate – there were many offers of help.
- (5) All present were in favour of the College wind turbine proposal.
- (6) Matt Harding is willing to help get a petition signed if it helps and to meet with planners.
- (7) We need to encourage people to not drop litter and to recycle better. Matt Harding said that there was a marked improvement in the 6th form area. Matt agreed to speak to Mrs Radnor & Terri Easton of West Devon Borough Council to see what could be done to recycle tin cans from food technology.
- (8) Sam Edwards agreed to find out about flag poles.
- (9) Doug Mullins agreed to investigate the possibilities of bicycle generators.
- (10) Sam Edwards to find out if we can/do buy recycled paper. Speak to Mr King and print workshop.
- (11) Doug, James, Tim and Rowan agreed to look in to how we could collect waste food for composting.
- (12) Mr Webber to investigate arranging a trip to the sustainable schools exhibition.

Every Tuesday will be STEM club but the first Tuesday in every month will be this bigger meeting which means the next Green Flag meeting will be Tuesday 5th October. Please email any items you want discussed to Mr Webber.