

Tufts Environmental Alumni (TEA)

Steering Committee Meeting

Tufts Institute for the Environment (TIE) Office at Miller Hall, 210 Packard Ave, Medford, MA
27 September 2010, 6:30 p.m.

In attendance: Ann Gisinger, Kate Leblanc-Dilawari, Lyn Lustig, Mark Taitz, Kiersten Von Trapp

Meeting Minutes:

- I. Discussed creation of a mission statement for the group.
 - a. Shared the following example for consideration:
The Active Citizens of Tufts - Boston (ACT) unites alumni of Tufts University's undergraduate, graduate and professional schools through public service opportunities and educational forums for the purpose of building a stronger, healthier and safer Greater Boston community.
 - b. Brainstormed ideas for TEA:
WHO are we? Tufts Alumni, Environmentally interested
WHAT will we do? Connect to each other
WHY is the group organizing, WHAT will we do? Share learning on current issues, volunteer
- II. Brainstormed ideas for future activities
 - a. questionnaire- the top 3 environmental issues that TEA members are interested in
 - b. raise money/ Walk for _____
 - c. speakers on current topics
 - d. tour of green building
 - e. annual event- debate on hot topic
 - f. volunteer/ clean up event
- III. Ideas for First Event:
 - a. Date- shooting for early-mid October
 - b. What: Panel with John Rumpler, A'88 on Gulf Oil Disaster, balanced with opposing viewpoint from someone in petroleum industry.
 - c. Back-up Plan: tour of Green Building, EpiCenter hosted by Michelle Trousil, J'92
- IV. Tasks/ To Do
 - a. Kiersten to contact Mr. Rumpler to ask for suggestions for opposing panelist
 - b. Kiersten to contact TEA member(s) with experience in petroleum industry
 - c. Lyn to contact law partner/ clients with experience in petroleum industry
 - d. Mark to draft Mission Statement