

**Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**November 2, 2015**

**Attending:** Chuck Kabat, Jon Briggs, Leigh Hafrey, Deb Harrison, Carol Hills, John Gorham, Virginia LeClair

J. Briggs called the meeting of November 2<sup>nd</sup> to order.

**Approval of Minutes**

C. Kabat made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of October 5, 2015. L. Hafrey second.  
All in favor.

**Presentation for November 18<sup>th</sup> Climate Change Forum**

The Committee reviewed the order of the speakers for the forum. D. Harrison invited student representatives from Dedham High School and from Noble & Greenough School to speak at the event. They discussed they would like the students to address the schools progress with reducing their carbon footprint, as well as their own hopes for the future. C. Kabat suggested asking all panelists this question. L. Hafrey will lead the Q&A and lead off with this question.

The Committee discussed the speakers for the event: Julie Wood, CRWA; Karen Heymann, Mass Audubon; Julie Conroy, MAPC; and Charlie Derber, BC Professor and author. Leigh Hafrey will moderate the discussion.

V. LeClair will correspond with speakers and ask them to send their presentations to D. Harrison in advance.

**Statewide Styrofoam Ban**

C. Hills updated the Committee on the proposed statewide Styrofoam ban. Currently, communities are banning the product at the local level. C. Hills listed off Northampton, Brookline and other communities that have banned the product. There is a one-year fade in period. NY State has proposed a ban only on restaurant take out use of Styrofoam products. C. Kabat said we will need to bring with the change solutions, as well. He is concerned about the smaller, local businesses suffering as a result.

V. LeClair offered to talk to communities that have banned Styrofoam and find out what products they suggested in their place and the cost of those products.

C. Hills will find out where Rush and McMurtry stand on the topic.

**Old/New Business**

Upcoming Meetings

The December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting they would like to focus the entirety of that meeting on setting goals for 2016.

**Adjourn**

C. Kabat made a motion to adjourn. J. Gorham second. All in favor.