

## Dover Recycling Committee

Minutes for 12/8/08

**Present:** Kerry O'Brien, Abby Howe, Fran Aikman, Becky Gladstone, Becky Peterson, John O'Keefe, Matthew Schmid

**Treasurer's Report/Deposit Trailer:** Fran handed out the treasurer's report for 12/1/08. Deposit Trailer is running smoothly – the Cross Country Ski Team is handling December. Reminded us all to communicate to the groups to show respect to the owners of Bullards when delivering redeemables.

**America Recycles Day Re-Cap:** Some committee members spent America Recycles Day cleaning out Mary's Swap Shop. The rain and wind put a damper on activity at the Transfer Station that morning, so no bins were sold. Kerry reported that both the town library and the DSHS library set up great displays during ARD week. The recycled jeans pencils were a big hit and have asked for more. Becky and the Recycling Task Force at Chickering had a Waste Free Lunch on 11/14, where they reminded students to reduce trash, reuse containers and recycle materials from lunch. They also collected compost material during the 5 lunch periods. An article was sent to the papers with a picture of students composting this material in the new Outdoor Garden.

**Schools:** Kerry will investigate how lunches are going at the DS. Discussion will continue in future meetings on how to conduct Earth Day in both the HS/MS and Chickering. Becky is working with the communications person at Chickering to provide information on the PTO website regarding waste-free lunches and links to reusable products. Waste-free lunches at Chickering will continue once every month.

**Worm composter:** Still investigating ways to provide Tammy Thornton, 7<sup>th</sup> grade science teacher at DSMS, a worm composter for her classroom.

**Town web site:** Christine will continue to work with webmaster.

**Holiday article:** Becky will get an article in the paper for 12/18.

**Town Report:** Abby and Kerry will work on getting Transfer Station end-of-the-year numbers.

**Next meeting:** Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup> 2009 @ 8:15 in the Highway Garage meeting room.