DOVER RECYCLING COMMITTEE  11/2/09

**Present:**  Mathew Schmid, Erin Gorden, Scott Seidman, Kurt Pfannenstiehl, Fran Aikman, Becky Gladstone, Becky Petersen, Christine Heer.

**Minutes** of 10/5/09 were approved.

**Transfer Station:**  Discussion about our presence at the TS.  How do we do this to the best benefit of all?  We want to greet new homeowners and give them all the information they need.  Wade is grateful for our presence there.  As we become a regular presence at the TS it was suggested that High School students could join us and earn community service hours.  Christine to check in with HS contact and two boys that helped during the summer.  The next date for the DRC to be at the TS is November 15, 2009.

Wade mentioned a concern about the ramp on the deposit trailer.  He sees a safety issue there especially for older patrons.  The metal nubs on the ramp have worn down and it is slippery.

**Deposit Trailer:**  Football Team did an excellent job for the month of October.  This accolade will be communicated to the team.

**Treasurer’s report:** same as October.

**Schools:**  Chickering will be having a waste free lunch on 11/13.  Becky P. will check classrooms for paper and bottle recycle bins.  Becky G. and Erin to look into sturdy/rigid, clear plastic containers for Lindquist.  Discussion about the recycling after home games at the high school; the recyclables are not being taken to the shed/recycle bin after games.  In the past a recycling committee member gathered these recyclables.  It was suggested that the team that is in charge of the deposit trailer also gather the recyclables after home games.  Another idea was to include Ardys Flavelle, a contact at the high school (teacher), but she has no student group and no budget for a group.  It was decided that there should be a three prong approach to the game recycling: discussion with custodians, try to establish a “green team” of students and discuss options with principal and superintendent.  Becky G. and Kurt will work on this.  Of interest for this meeting would be to show how much the schools are saving through recycling.  This could be a good incentive to get a student group started.  Fran to check past notes for costs and savings.

**America Recycles:**  Information for adults and children in town library.  Matt will follow up with Friends of the Library to be sure this is in place.

**Website:**  Becky G. to forward deposit trailer generic form and Christine to send on to Town of Dover website coordinator.

**Newspaper article(s):**  Would like articles in the paper about our presence at the TS and availability of bins for purchase.  Also a thank you to Craig, Wade and Bill as well as the student volunteers and “green” holiday tips.

**Next meeting:**  December 7, 2009 @ 8:15 am Dover Town Garage.