New Leaf

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1. Emily has an idea!
2. Sam doesn’t have clothing on, he will get frostbite.
3. Emily continues about her idea, proposes a more structured New Leaf where responsibility and logistics are borne on the backs of all members more fairly. There is a bottom liner, sort of like a leader, the bottom liner checks in with people and keeps everyone on track. Like a shared management role.
   1. Emily L agrees.
   2. Noga suggests the Bottom Liner also be in charge of snacks
4. The Meeting: the dialogue we want to have in the beginning of the semester.
   1. We want to have a big open dialogue about student environmentalism on the Hampshire campus
   2. It should be co-facilitated by 3? Student leaders, chosen strategically, so that this is not a “new leaf” dialogue.
   3. We should put something on the daily digest- invite people interested in facilitating- ***HAMPFEST!!!***
      1. Anarchist Network
      2. Transition Hampshire
      3. Student gov
      4. Community garden
      5. ASFUC
      6. QIPOC
      7. Justice in Palestine
      8. ISO
      9. Individuals (marushka, zilong, SO many others)
   4. We are *redefining “us” to be more inclusive.*
   5. TOTALLY open- let’s reach out to as many people as possible.
   6. General topic would be environmentalism on campus.
   7. Where is the place for sustainability? Where is the place for activism?
   8. Sophia: We should avoid using the term environmentalism in the title. That specific term is very connected with the environmental movement; conservationism…do we really want those associations? So many of these concepts can be perceived as exclusive.
      1. “environmentalism” can exclude environmental justice.
      2. Environmental justice should be a focal point
      3. What should environmentalism look like at Hampshire?
      4. The idea isn’t to define issues to focus on, but rather to create a movement that will sustain itself indefinitely
         1. Don’t have the tools for this immediately, but we are planting the seeds.
      5. How should student groups *interact* with one another?
      6. Format
         1. Breaking up into smaller groups
         2. ISIS dialogue model? (lots of little ones)
         3. Taking stack
      7. How do we reach out to people who aren’t necessarily going to attend a dialogue?
         1. Forum on a website
         2. Paper & pens like were in the library
         3. Polls
         4. Facebook
      8. Sophia knows someone who will do a workshop/presentation about her work & about our situation
   9. Need an outlet for support ane education
   10. We need a place for people who felt ostracized by New Leaf or other environmental groups in the past.
   11. New Leaf is going through puberty. We are growing into who we want to be.
   12. Asking “what is our niche” is almost the wrong question to ask. We should be trying to figure out what is most needed.
   13. We have to be wary of seeming to ask, “How do you fit into OUR movement?”
   14. There are so many people who identify with the environmental movement who don’t associate with our group. What do they think? What can be learned from them?
   15. What comes out of this dialogue will somehow help us shape our mission statement.
   16. Does Hampshire NEED new leaf?
       1. Should we change the title?
   17. What sorts of relationships should the student environmental movement have to the administration?
       1. Hopefully we can make a presentation to JLash.
   18. This is not about new leaf- it’s about us as environmental activists.
   19. This dialogue should be going on indefinitely
   20. Interest meeting for facilitators ASAP
       1. *Next Tuesday at seven.*
       2. Email signers – Emmy Keppler
       3. Draft – Emmy Keppler
       4. Talk to anarchist network – Slayton
5. Kim: Sherry Long called about a guy who wants to come and talk.
   1. Slayton: coca refused funding, but we can get 5-college funding
   2. If it’s off campus, funding goes to FiCom, and Slayton can get them to fund his visit
6. Trips
   1. We are going to Maine on Saturday. YAay! ☺
   2. The DC trip is probably not going to happen. Boo. ☹
      1. But we could fill a 47 person bus with hampies
      2. Feb. 17th … we could also sell seats to 5-college students
      3. Greenpeace hasn’t gotten back to us about the church.
      4. We could probably write in a funding request
7. Emmy has another idea!
   1. Collaborate with another group like LFI or the community garden
   2. Emmy knows people from “Gardening the community”- they claim abandoned lots & create gardens, reclaiming their right to feed themselves.
   3. Screen movie, have people from gardening the community come talk
   4. They employ children & give them a salary
8. At least one screening before the fracking event
   1. The Last Mountain
   2. Alex has the flyer
   3. Noga will procure antonio’s
   4. Wednesday, FPH 10
   5. Kim is the bottom liner for next week’s meeting & Wednesday’s screening

Sign making party fri. eveing 7:30!!!