## Rye Recycling Education Committee Meeting Notes 11/16/21 Rye Public Library

Attendees: Joan, Joan, Cynthia, Alex, Pam

## **Action Items**

- Pam- ask the Rye PTA- do you fund Mr. Fox at the Rye Elementary or High School?
- Joan- follow up with Teracycle/Rick at Transfer Station

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## **Meeting Notes**

- Two new attendees- shared background of our committee
- Rye Junior High Discussion on Recycling
  - We were told Rye PTA (Rye Foundation of Education for Excellence) was supposed to fund Mr. Fox
  - Joan spoke to Jim Gordon the custodian, they have four recycle bins (plastic, cans) but nothing is being recycled- one bin is for compost but no one is actually composting, all the paper is being thrown away in the trash, not sure about cardboard
  - Not enough people to clean the school, so the priority is keeping the school clean, recycling is not a high priority
  - o No Recycling Club at the Junior High or Recycling promotion at all- Why is that?
  - Future Discussion/Initiative-how to get the Middle Schoolers to recycle
    - Trip to Mr. Fox every year for the students?
- Rye Swap Shop
  - Lots of junk still being dropped off at the Sway shop
  - Volunteers have been helping but lots of work
  - o Bulletin Board- could we leverage the board for announcements?
    - Recycling- educating community where to bring items outside of the transfer station
  - o Swap Shop Tag Line?
- Teracycle
  - o Can Transfer Station support this program to allow add'l plastic to be recycled?
- Wentworth Metals (MAC)- Jones Ave
  - o Remind folks they can bring metal here for \$\$ instead of the swap shop
- Next Meeting December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at Library