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Memorandum

DATE: April 8, 2021
TO: Chair and Members of the Board
FROM: Kevin H. Roche, CEO
SUBJECT: Outreach & Recycling Committee Minutes – April 8, 2021

The **ecomaine** Outreach & Recycling Committee met April 8 via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m. by Caleb Hemphill, Chairman.

1. Approval of Minutes
 - Jeff Amatrudo moved to approve February minutes, Dave Durrell seconded and all unanimously approved.
2. Update – School Grants Program
 - Final Reports – FY20: the Committee accepted the FY20 grants as concluded
 - Status Report – FY 21: staff provided an overview of mid-term reports from the 2020-21 grant cycle, with final reports to come by May 28.
3. Upcycle Challenge 2021 Judging
 - The Committee voted to select six finalists for public voting through Earth Day 2021 in the Upcycle Challenge:
 - i. Aurora Milton, Cape Elizabeth High School: an Upcycled Bomber Jacket made from old shirts and an old bridesmaid dress
 - ii. Fiddlehead Center for the Arts, Scarborough: a working chandelier from single-use plastic bottles, bottle caps, felt, foam, and other materials
 - iii. Laurel Wight, Freeport Middle School: a two piece outfit made from plastic bags and an old pillow case
 - iv. The Morse High School Green Club, RSU #1: a bike rack fashioned from old, donated bicycles and a cross-country ski
 - v. Alexandra Jewett, Saco Middle School: an end table crafted from parts from a 1989 Ford Mustang that didn't work any longer
 - vi. Lindsay Turcotte, Saco Middle School: a door hanger for coats, pet leashes, and many other items created from an old rake head
4. Master Recycler Curriculum
 - Staff provided an overview of the Master Recycler Curriculum enrollment and progress to date
5. Outreach & Education Report
 - Staff provided an overview of outreach and P.R. metrics for FY21 to date.
6. Recycling Market Report
 - Staff provided an overview of recent market activity and pricing for recyclable commodities.

7. Other/New Business

- Chairman gave a reminder of the Annual Meeting on June 17 and the last FY21 Committee meeting on May 27
- Staff provided a reminder to be in touch for education for Earth Day and/or at other times.

Linda Boudreau made the motion to adjourn at 5:13 p.m. Dave Durrell seconded. All approved.

Attendees: Caleb Hemphill, Jeff Amatrudo, Linda Boudreau, David Durrell, Erik Street

Staff: Matt Grondin, Lena Ives, Vanessa Berry, Katrina Venhuizen