

King County Solid Waste Advisory Committee

November 20, 2009 - 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

King Street Center 8th Floor Conference Room

Next SWAC meeting – January 15 - 10:30-1:30

Approved Meeting Minutes

Members
David Baker
William A. Beck
Joe Casalini
Bob Dixon
Jerry Hardebeck
Sean Kronberg
Joan McGilton
Suellen Mele
Philipp Schmidt-Pathmann
Ray Schlienz
Relaena Sindelar
Judy Stenberg
Joe Tessier
Dave Whitley
Bill Ziegler

Others
Ed Davis, Seattle King County Health Department
Jeff Gaisford, Recycling and Environmental Services Manager
Kathy Hashagen, SWD Staff
Kevin Kiernan, Division Director
Peggy Papsdorf, Suburban Cities Association
Grace Reamer, King County Council Staff
Margaret Shield, Local Hazardous Waste Management Program
Taisa Welhasch, Department of Ecology
Diane Yates, Intergovernmental Liaison

Note

These minutes cover the abbreviated SWAC meeting that preceded the joint SWAC/MSWMAC meeting of the same day. Minutes of the joint meeting are available at http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/about/Planning/documents/MSWMAC_SWAC_Minutes_2009-11.pdf.

Secure Medicine Return Legislation: Discussion of Letter to the King County Council Endorsing Product Stewardship Approach to the Disposal of Pharmaceuticals: Possible Action

The group thanked Mele and Baker for drafting the letter. Members proposed revisions to the draft clarifying that neither flushing nor disposing of pharmaceuticals in the garbage are acceptable alternatives. Either alternative c/would result in chemicals from the pharmaceuticals being deposited in Puget Sound which could enter the food supply.

Despite some remaining concerns about formatting, referencing sources, and the role of SWAC in relation to legislation, SWAC revised and unanimously approved the letter. It was printed, signed by the Chair and Vice Chair, and sent to council that same day. A copy of the signed letter is attached to these notes.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.