Onondaga Citizens League
"Greening CNY" Steering Committee Meeting Notes
June 9, 2009, 307 University College
Present: Jason Allers, Joe Ash, Diane Brandli, Emanuel Carter, Hanah Ehrenreich, Chris Fowler, David Holder, Steve Kearney, Dan Kelly, Sarah McIlvain, Paul Mercurio, Sandra Barrett.

The steering committee reviewed the notes from the last meeting in which it was decided that the study would be organized around these questions:

- What are we doing Green? Is it enough? (An assessment; comparison to benchmarks)
- How can we be more GREEN in CNY? (look at other places, model practices)
- How do we make sure that the decisions we make have a beneficial effect on the environment?

Ultimately, the study report and recommendations could be organized around the idea of "what it means to be green" for different audiences – individuals/families, neighborhoods, business and organizations, municipalities.
Using the list of potential study areas developed at the last meeting, we began to develop a list of potential study sessions. It was suggested that sessions on local work be interspersed with speakers on green initiatives in other cities. Collaborations with other organizations might be possible to bring in out-of-town guests. Here is the beginning of possible plan, order of sessions to be determined.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE GREEN?
POTENTIAL STUDY SESSIONS

Session Topic	Potential Speakers – What are we doing Now; what other regions are doing	Committee Members - develop suggested panelist list
Ecosystem – what is it? Why is it important?	Emanuel Carter and other ESF faculty TBD	Emanuel-
Sustainability – the big picture	Greening USA, The Amos Project?	Diane, Peter …
Land Use Planning		Megan,
Green Infrastructure - roads, sewers ,		Karen,
Transportation		
Other Energy Usage		Joe,
Green Buildings and Housing		
Waste Recycling		
Natural Resources preservation; food, farms		Paul,
Green Jobs, Products, Services		Steve,
Case Study – Grand Rapids, MI		Diane

Other Research:
Public perceptions of Green; motivations

Sandra will canvas the study committee to see if another meeting day and time works better for the group.