## Meeting Minutes for University City Sweatfree Purchasing Advisory Board

February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 City Hall, 7:00 pm

Those present: Susan Armstrong, Jim Adams, Emily Miller, Jerry Hochsztein Regrets: Ann Marie Schutzius

Principal agenda item: phone call with Bjorn Claeson from SweatFree Communities (no response)

\*\*\*rescheduled for next Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 pm

## Future agenda items:

- hope to talk with Victor Velez in the future about Propper
- Ann Marie found that Propper is one of Leon's manufacturers but we still do not know if U City purchases these items
- Emily did not receive a response from the Green Practices Committee about their website; Jim's inquiries about the website also went unanswered
- Jerry is working on the affidavit
  - important that it is airtight and that the burden of proof is on the vendor
  - worried about vendors saying "it's not on us, we don't make the product, we only sell it", need a way of making sellers responsible for the manufacturing conditions in which their products are produced
  - this can be done through U City's refusal to buy from vendors whose suppliers employ unsatisfactory manufacturing conditions; vendors will then have an incentive to ensure proper labor conditions for the products they sell

Next meeting: February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm