

WSU Sustainability & the Environment Committee

AGENDA

DATE, TIME, & LOCATION: Thursday, February 2nd, 2012, 2:00-3:00pm, Lighty 405

ATTENDANTS: Julie Titone, Chad Kruger, Jeff Lannigan, Bridgette Brady, Terry Ryan, Robi Nilson, Kelsey Kracher, Jason Sampson, Marty O'Malley, Dennis Gransbery, Jamie Bentley, John Reed, Dwight Hagihara, and Dawn Shinew

1. Call to Order - John Reed
2. Approval of 1 December, 2011 Minutes - John Reed
3. Green Fund update - Robi Nilson & Kelsey Kracher
 - a. One proposal was received in the fall semester. The proposal will be emailed to the SEC. A question was raised about the procedure for notifying students when proposals are being accepted. The Environmental Task Force (ETF) and the Environmental Science Club (ESC) send announcements to students through WSU Today, zzusis, and the Daily Evergreen. The ETF and ESC also had a table in the CUB a couple different times.
4. Wellbeing Fair - Jamie Bentley
 - a. The Wellbeing Fair is Tuesday, February 7th from 4:00 - 6:00 pm at the Rec Center. There are usually 60 - 65 different departments and groups with tables. It is open to everyone.
5. Restructuring SEC - Jason Sampson
 - a. The SEC is not a formal Presidential Committee. Dwight Hagihara is working on creating a structure for the SEC in the hopes of having it recognized formally. Part of the structuring is defining which groups need to be represented, how many representatives are needed, and terms for the representatives. Dwight's idea is to have 5 members each from faculty, staff, and students. Each area (faculty, staff, or student) will have one coordinator. More information will be forthcoming as the process continues.
6. Open Discussion
 - a. Next Friday, in Spokane, there is a bioregional sustainability conference. Jamie and Joanne are attending from UREC. Dawn and three other faculty are also attending.
 - b. Bike update from Bridgette. She is still working with consultants on a bike plan for the Pullman campus. There will be studies done to see where WSU is currently.

- c. CEREO has a reception this afternoon. CEREO also has a newsletter that they publish. At a recent CEREO meeting it was suggested CEREO include a section on environmental initiatives across campus. This is a tool that the SEC could utilize.
- d. Smart grid update - A large part of the WSU piece is a science experiment funded by DOE to see the impact when we reach 10% reliance on uncontrollable methods of energy generation. The study is looking to see what regional and local generators would be available to relieve the load demand. Another piece is load shed. The first way to load shed is switching between storage tank and water chillers. The second is to lower the temperature in select rooms across campus for 15 minute increments. There will be analysis done to decide which rooms are appropriate for this purpose.

NEXT MEETING: March 1st, 2012 - Light 405 - 2:00pm-3:00pm