

WSU Sustainability & the Environment Committee

Meeting Minutes

DATE, TIME, & LOCATION: Thursday, January 26, 2017, 10:30-12:00 p.m., Lighty 401

ATTENDEES: Jason Sampson, Dan Maher, Dan Costello, Julie Padowski, Nick Prante, Lee Mendez, Dwight Hagihara, Adam Koerner, Garrett Kalt, Brad Jaeckel, Gary Coyle, Lynne Carpenter-Boggs, Katie Fee, Shawn Deeds, Francene Watson, Amanda Stahl

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1. Call to Order – Jason Sampson
 2. Approval of November minutes – Jason Sampson
Jason explained how minutes are approved via electronic mail. Since there were no comments they became official.
 3. Green Fund project proposal – water bottle refill stations – Garrett Kalt
Garrett Kalt provided a short summary of proposal. He was asking for water bottle refill stations at Todd Hall and CUE. Dan Maher asked how many use the water bottle refill station in the first floor of Todd Hall had since the installation at the start of the fall semester. Garrett indicated the electronic reader was not working and Facilities Services would look into this. Based on the information provided in the written proposal and Garrett’s summary the following steps were suggested by the SEC.
 - A. Determining locations of installations. I will attend a CUB Advisory Board meeting upon approval from Garrett, student who submitted proposal, and Brian Shuffield. CUB is the primary location for the installation. The secondary locations are Todd Hall and CUE.
 - B. Following the meeting to determine if the CUB is an option, a request to Facilities Services to get an estimate from each selected location. This will go back to the SEC for final decisions based on approvals and estimates.
 4. Green Fund project proposal – greenhouse – Lee Mendez
Lee provided a summary of the greenhouse project proposal and how it would benefit clubs, students, and the university. Questions regarding actual cost of project and complete funding were brought up by the committee. Based on the information provided in the written proposal and Lee’s summary the following steps were suggested by the SEC.
 - A. An estimate of the project needs to be completed once a scope is completed (still some questions to answer from Organic Farm) to determine how much additional money is needed to complete the project because of utilities expenses, etc. The estimate will have an expense associated with it. This cost may need to be an approved expenditure of the SEC.
 - B. Once estimate has been provided, all funding resources will need to be identified

- C. If SEC is in agreement to move forward, the club and Organic Farm need to meet with Dan Costello and Kate Kamereer, Facilities Services, to establish an appropriate memo of understanding which meets the SEC requirements.
5. Zero Waste football at University of Colorado – Shawn Deeds
University of Colorado is recognized as a leader in Zero Waste athletic events. Shawn went to the WSU vs. Colorado football game in November and had the opportunity to tour their facilities and view game day practices. Several things were identified as possible options to increase waste diversion next season including more signage, reader board announcements, press box announcements, use of mascot for infomercials, and using volunteers to sort after game. It was observed with the recent Coca Cola bin grant award WSU has enough bins to carry out a successful program if behavior change can be improved.
 6. Annual reports for Princeton Review, Sierra Club, and Environmental Management System – Jason Sampson
Jason indicated annual reports to federal agencies, state agencies and non profit organizations were due at the end of February. He would be sending out requests for information from the respective departments over the next few weeks.
 7. WAHESC in Spokane at Gonzaga University – Jason Sampson
Jason indicated EH&S would be driving up to the February 16 and 17 conference, and would be willing to provide rides to interested students and faculty.

***NEXT MEETING: To be February 23, 2017
10:30-12:00 Lighty 401***