

Environmental Council/Sustainability Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
Friday, April 9 at 10:00 noon in Philips Lower Level Conference Room

Attending: Ed Bruno, Dan Burns, Walt Cressler, Peter Galloway, Gerald Hertel, Kurt Kolasinski, Paul Morgan, Melissa Nejbauer, Marianne Peffall, Joan Welch, Matt Bricketto, Kristen Crossney

1. News and updates

LED workshop

Still immature technology but developing rapidly with a 6 month generation time. Not quite ready for large-scale projects but some applications including outdoor lighting are worthy of follow up. Outdoor lighting applications are particularly good because of low levels of upward light pollution.

Green Wall Grant

The grant application for \$1500 from Philadelphia Zoo was funded.

Outdoor classroom (FLD337) and outdoor garden (FLD339)

These are the official designations on map. HON314 built a raised bed and arbor in front of greenhouse.

Daily Local News articles

Report on first sustainability coordinator appeared 6 April 2010. Link in History section of website.

Coordinator and SAC should make a formal request for extending the position of the coordinator.

Recommended book: *American Places: In Search of the Twenty-First Century Campus* by M. Perry Chapman

Other items

Discussion of bottleless water filters. Available in 201 Carter Dr as well as in Rec Center. Trial of reusable totes for office supplies.

Provost Stimulus Proposal put together by Paul Morgan: sustainability interns, work with faculty, K-12 teachers and for curriculum integration. Symposium in July. Should hear decision in May.

ASSHE Conference: should think about submitting something.

2. Earth Week agenda; digital display advertising

Earth Day Challenge: get employees to walk, bike, car pool or take public transportation to work. Symbolic finish line to encourage participation. A free sports bottle will be given to participants.

Vendor/Purchasing Sustainability Workshop on Earth Day in Sykes Ballroom A&B.

Encourage community to attend by advertising free parking in parking garages.

Many more activities detailed in the Events section of website and in PDF file available for downloading from Home page.

A message of support will be sent from President to all staff and faculty.

North Campus Tree Database: Data now available. A presentation will be made at American Geography Assn meeting. Target Arbor Day for handover of data.

ARAMARK also has a full week of activities.

3. Coordinator activity report
 - Pre-Earth Day report to President & Cabinet in progress
 - 40 years = 40 trees project
 - Project with Borough Mayor. Planting of street trees over the next year.
 - Joint Task Group
 - COE NSF Grant proposal
 - Multimillions (\$10+ M), multiuniversity consortium. April 29th meeting in Phillips Autograph Library 9-11:30. Dr Joyce Munro organizing on campus. Due in June.

4. Discussion items:
 - Strategic planning and general education
 - While formulating next Strategic Plan, we should get this in the discussion. Perhaps formulate a proposal that can be taken to CAPC.
 - Sustainability Communications and Action Plan
 - Set up meeting for next Friday

5. Any Other Business
 - Concrete workshop?
 - LEED certification on Undergraduate Business Center should be part of the project.
 - Solar Panels for Poetry Center Roof? Follow up to see if we can restart project.