SMU Campus Sustainability Meeting

May 12, 2010 Minutes

Attendees:

Bonnie JacobsKim CobbRobert TaylorDavid LinerMelissa HumasonTerry Conner

David Randolph Michael Paul Tiana Lightfoot Svendsen

Elaine A. Heath Michael Paul Troy Behrens

Eric English Pat Van Zandt Jesse Miller Patrick Cullen

Approval of April minutes

Motion: Pat Van Zandt; Second: Jesse Miller

Motion Passed

Committee membership changes:

Chair Tiana Lightfoot Svendsen

Chair Patricia Van Zandt

FM&S Member Change Michael Vangeli for Michael Paul

Member at LargeGeorge HoldenMember at LargeLaurie Campbell

All Motions Passed

Green Fee

- 5 schools in Texas have implemented a green fee
- Student Senate will need to be contacted in order to determine if they feel legislation would be well received, and if the vote should be open
 - It was discussed that any action effecting students will have a greater likelihood for success if initiated by students
- SMU has the highest overall cost of any university in Texas, a potential barrier
- Students could use money from green fee to travel to conferences such as AASHE
 - o The AASHE Conference will be held this October in Denver Colorado.

Education and Outreach Subcommittee Update - Kim Cobb

- The Green Minute has an opportunity to be presented at <u>TED's SMU</u>, which means there is a chance that the main <u>TED</u> website would pick it up.
 - Fondren has the technology and the staff to help students create videos.

Student Survey for Report Card – Michael Paul

Tabled for now

Thumb Drives - Tiana Lightfoot Svendsen

- The materials for AARO 2010 have already been gathered, but there is an opportunity to purchase the drives for next year's AARO.
- No response yet regarding thumb drives for faculty/staff orientation.

Recycling - Eric English

- The recycling form connected to the use of grounds form has been revised and approved.
- Cartoons will be posted around campus to remind viewers of the need for environmental action.

Student Group Update - Bonnie Jacobs

• SMU's Environmental Society needs an adviser. Please contact Bonnie Jacobs if you are interested or know someone who might be.

Commitment to Progress – Michael Paul

• Start thinking about which events and activities the committee participates in that you would like to volunteer for next year. We need all hands on deck.

Michael Paul, your leadership has meant so much to the committee! We are so glad that you will still be an active part of the team!

Cori Cusker, we miss you already!