

SMU Sustainability Committee

February 9, 2011

Minutes

In attendance: Bonnie Jacobs, David [student], Jessie Hart, Stanley Stubblefield, Tiana Lightfoot-Svendsen, George Holden, Eric English, Michael Paul, Kevin Salfen, Chris Mavros, Semayon, David Hayden, Pamela Varela, Darin Ford [for Troy Behrens], Joe Esau

A. One thing you would like to see come out of CAP

Tiana: social/environmental stressed

David: recycling

Stanley: awareness of CAP

Jessie: awareness in Greek population

Bonnie: centralized “clearing house” for information about environment/sustainability

Mike: finish CAP

Dave: develop a way to achieve CAP, HT center for sustainability

BJ: where to take big boxes on campus

MP: single-stream, with occasional “drives” for specialty items

EE: break down, put them behind blue bins, or contact EE

Pamela: promote in dorms

Darin: Aramark set up endowment for research opportunities for students, particularly related to policy-making

MP: Aramark’s cafeteria and housing contracts will double, so this would be a good time to leverage for this

BJ: curriculum supports this; bring this to development office

Eric: SMU become zero-waste campus & involve community in this

Joe: student organizations involved

George: research connecting psychology and sustainability; advocates “worming”

B. Mike Paul

1. Thanks particularly to Bonnie for involvement with Aramark visit related to the CAP

2. Plan will be 30-40 pp., & everyone will be asked to review sections.

3. Thanks to everyone for help!

C. Kelly Milazzo, Jake Torres—thanks to both for

D. Mustang Express service (Joe Esau)

1. passes around petition

2. Already met with Park & Pony, very receptive, but funding is missing

3. P&P unable to contribute further; DART already has budget shortfall

3. ME service should be extended to weekend

4. Maybe 40K a month for weekend service
5. Question about ridership
6. DH: smaller buses for weekend? Also, cost seems exorbitant.
7. BJ moves to support resolution for student senate to explore expansion of Mustang Express service, SS seconds

E. PDC: SMU's Office of Planning, Design, and Construction (CM)

1. Proposed changes, because language was old
2. Voice for SMU on matters of construction
3. PDC would be official vote on SC
4. GH moves, approved

F. Sustainability Award

1. Student, Faculty, Staff can be nominated...by February 25, 2011
2. FT only, specify how involved; don't have to turn in resumé
3. What does award recipient receive?
 - a. reclaimed wood; wind turbine (solar-powered); bookends
 - b. GH: cost? MP: non-issue
 - c. vote
4. bookends; star
 - a. vote
 - b. tie

G. Better World Books

1. TLS made poster
2. some permanent, some changing locations
3. encyclopedias, journals, magazines
4. 10 boxes being made
5. 3 schools involved

H. Sustainability Center at HT

1. TLS shows pictures of how it was at HT in the past
2. Looking for style/name/publicity
3. DH has final say

I. Recyclemania (EE)

1. last week a poor test, but this week is our "real" first
2. PV doing great job with RHSL competition
3. but need more student involvement
4. Date set for Recycle art competition (deadline March 11)
 - a. working on prizes (Coca-Cola and Aramark)
5. TLS: art guidelines? EE: 4x4, display it week after Spring Break, recyclables only

J. Education Committee (JH)

1. DOT incorporated into BotB?

2. TLS: What support do you need for BotB? JH: doing paperwork; looking for sponsors; giving students incentive to go (EC for classes); looking for groups to table; unusual demonstration/display? Needs to meet with MP about budget. NPOs who might table?

Meeting adjourned at 4:04.