

Sustainability Committee Minutes

3 p.m., Jan. 20, 2012

1. Welcome
2. Approve minutes (motion: Stanley moved, Chris 2nd) approved
3. Treasurer's Report: Raj Bhagat proposed for future discussion a simplified subcommittee framework based on these themes
 - Preserve Environment, Improve Image, Raise Awareness
 - Structure for the future of the Committee
 - Greening the Campus (power, products, processes)
 - Greening Minds (Awareness, Motivation, Leadership) emphasis on student knowledge
 - Greening the image (present, publish, promote) collaborate with other schools
 - Treasury Balance at \$10,993.80 as of December 2011
4. Subcommittee Reports
 - Outreach-Recyclemania-kicks off Jan. 27 (2 weeks preview) and formally starts Feb 5, planning a kickoff event (TBA) and planning 2 ads in separate issues for a total \$750, possibly look at banners to promote in Hughes-Trigg, Kathy Heckman can do those with printing qualities and Chris Mavros has networks in printing. Ask Kelly M to bring any purchasing back to Executive Committee for approval
 - CAP- Chris Mavros reports subcommittee starts meeting first of February. Keith Gardner has collected information and will aid in review. Need to wrap up the CAP, so it will serve as a living plan. Company that drafted the proposed CAP eager to join with committee reps and Facilities Services (Keith's staff) by phone to to conclude report. To access draft CAP, committee can go to www.inside.smu.edu/committees/committeehome/sustainability
SMU CAP Draft is filed under documents.
Committee members who have trouble accessing this should contact Raj.
5. Proposal to change meetings to third Wednesday of every month
 - Motion to have the meeting the third Wednesday of every month from Noon to 1pm (motion Stanley and 2ndChris) unanimous approval
 - Looking into Fondren Library or Blanton Building for meeting
6. Vision Statement
 - Motion: Stanley 2nd: Raj) Tabled vote until next meeting
7. Water conservation message/challenge
 - Discussion of need to raise student awareness about issue, work with Office of Emergency Management who already has materials on topic
 - Keep track of water usage personally (a metric with how much time using a faucet or shower equals to)
8. Earth Day Dallas, April 21-22, Fair Park
 - Request for sponsorship Asked SMU to sponsor as a \$10,000 sponsor, since TCU did (TCU pulled from different departments)
 - Exhibit group (want end area or 2 booths) \$675-\$850 per booth space.
 - Looking to be coordinator of Earth Day Dallas activities (Kim will talk to Lisa Wall)
 - Need volunteers for event, Pamela will talk to Environmental Society for potential volunteers
9. Endorsing a "print less" message Chris working on one and getting it to Kim before meeting to go at the bottom on people's email signatures
10. Announcements:
 - Provost's response to letter on need for SMU Sustainability Office

No person or department has responsibility for sustainability on campus now and committee has formally recommended by letter to Paul Ludden and Chris Regis someone who could bridge the academic and facilities management aspects of sustainability. Provost has responded positively to Sustainability Committee letter, suggested opportunity for future talks and provided Cal-Berkeley sustainability plan

2012 American College Personnel Association (ACPA) Commission for Housing & Residential Life Awards/ Excellence in Sustainability Award goes to SMU Residence Life and Student Housing for Integration of Sustainable Practices. Congrats Stephen! Lori White (VP of Student Affairs) elected to AASHE Board (term ending Dec. 2014).

11. Old Business

12. New Business

Announcements: Vagina Monologues 7pm February 11th and 12th

Clements Center this Wednesday, History of Wind Power Wed Jan 25th

Environmental Society started Community Garden at ACE house through Big Ideas grant, seeking money in future and Aramark could be a possible sponsor as well, Pamela getting Alina information for sponsorship from Aramark

AASHE call for presentations starts Feb 21