

Sustainability Committee Report

Date: October 14, 2013

Members Present: Linda Kogan, Kevin Gilford (Office of Sustainability), Carole Huber (Geography), Cynthia Norton (Environmental Health and Safety), Nanna Meyer (Beth-El), Russell Saunkeah (Dining & Food Services) and Sonja Braun-Sand (Chemistry and Biochemistry) and Janel Owens (Committee Chair, Chemistry and Biochemistry)

Meeting topics:

I. Welcome

II. Green Action Fund

a. Four proposals approved:

1. low-flow toilets in Summit Village
2. *Scribe* will go paperless
3. Solar cart for Office of Sustainability & Greenhouse
4. Solar tables (3) as charging stations
5. Two additional hydration stations

III. Office of Sustainability

- a. SGA Senator for Sustainability Matt Driftmeier is looking into developing an anti-idling policy. Meeting with various campus stakeholders soon.
- b. Climate Advisory Board had its second meeting on Thursday, Dec 5th. Worked to define vision, goals, and action items.
- c. Peak Alliance for a Sustainable Future: various community leaders will meet with the Chancellor. One item in particular: creating opportunities for students (service learning, internships).
- d. Sustainnovation discussion: Difficult to find a space on campus given the busy spring schedule in Berger and Gallogly. Office of Sustainability is also very limited on student staff. Also, what should the focus of the conference be? Suggested that we focus on food and building a local foodshed with input from community members (Pikes Peak Community Foundation, Arkansas Valley Organic Growers, etc).

IV. Cartridge Recycling (Cindy Norton for PESA)

- a. Currently, recycling boxes to accept toner and ink cartridges are in OCSE, Main Hall, Parking & Transportation Services, and Dwire Hall. Additional boxes for the Bookstore, Library, and Columbine have been ordered.
- b. Funds from recycling will go to PESA to fund staff activities throughout the year.

V. Reminders: Next candidate for Director for Dining & Food Services will be on campus on Thursday, Dec 19th. A campus presentation is slated from 10:00 – 11:00 am (please see email announcement from Iryse Naro to faculty-1 on 12/10/13 for candidate resume).

Next meeting: February 10th, 2014 from 12:30 – 2:00 pm, EPC 304C