Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes  
March 9, 2009  

Location: Physical Plant Conference Room  
Presiding: Dave Lococo, Kathleen Smythe  
Present: Kelly Akers, James Cave, Steve Cobb, George Farnsworth, Dave Lococo,  
Annette Marksberry, Doug Olberding, Kiki Richardson, Mary Rosenfeldt, Greg  
Schaber, Kathleen Smythe, Caroline Solis  

Next Meeting: April 6 with David Orr from Oberlin College  

Meeting called to order at 7:35 a.m.  

Minutes from 2/9/2009 approved with amendments.  

Old Business/Discussion Items:  
  o Confirmed subcommittee membership  
  o GHG Inventory sent to Fr. Graham, we gave him more time, and he is going to give  
    feedback  
  o Kathleen needs at least a sentence about what was discussed in each subcommittee  
    meeting to include in the minutes each month (Please send it to her soon after the  
    meetings)  
  o Will continue to meet throughout the summer, Kathleen will send out a grid for summer  
    and fall schedules  

Subcommittee Reports:  

Academic Day (Doug)  
They met on 2/25, and are going to re-name Academic Day. They are meeting with Kandi  
Stinson on 3/11. They are planning to explore funding options, and they would like to involve  
staff, students, and faculty in the day. The theme for the day will likely be transportation. They  
would like a speaker and a presentation. The main goals of the day are to create awareness and  
brainstorm ideas.  

Budget/Funding  
Nothing to report  

Communications (Greg)  
They would like to create a calendar/events page, and they are collecting all events that are  
somewhat related to sustainability to include on it. They have thought about changing  
“Sustainability at Work” to a bi-weekly piece. They would like to involve more students in this,  
and would like suggestions of students and topics to write about. (Possibly the AB trip to  
Catalina Island?) We could offer a giveaway to students who wrote. There were suggestions of  
art around this, possibly a mural to unveil on sustainability day. Don Prues teaches ENGL 205  
and is sending students’ papers relating to sustainability to us.  

Energy (Dave)
Duke Energy has petitioned officials to provide parts to limit their construction of new plants. Through this, Xavier is able to change the lighting in Cintas to high-efficiency fluorescent lights. Xavier is entering into an agreement with Duke Energy to be a pilot program of energy conservation. Financial Administration has submitted five projects to the state to be funded by stimulus money, and there are two people lobbying for Xavier. One of the projects is a Central Utility Plant. There were suggestions of doing something (eg. a garden) on the land for Xavier Square, though this land is controlled by BASF and has many restrictive covenants. There are possibilities for composting behind the Alumni building and involving Cintas and the Dining Hall.

*Transportation (Mary)*
They looked at the Ridership website at UC. They would like to establish a website at Xavier and have it up and running, and really promoted it for Sustainability Day.

*Academics*
Nothing to report

*Students*
Nothing to report

*Greenhouse Gases (Steve)*
They met with Rob Munson to continue the data-gathering process. He will collect data on air miles that are reimbursed, and they will calculate its percentage of total GHG consumption. He will also collect data on the fleet gas consumption of Campus Police.

**Work done this meeting:**
*Earth Day planning*
*Institutional Action Plan Process*
*Student Director of Sustainability proposal*