Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2009

Location: Physical Plant Conference Room

Presiding: Kathleen Smythe & Dave Lococo

Present: James Cave, Steve Cobb, George Farnsworth, Ginny Frings, Annette Marksberry, David Mengel, Doug Olberding, Molly Robertshaw, Greg Schaber, Kathleen Smythe, Caroline Solis

Next Meeting: January 11, 2010, 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. Physical Plant Large Conference Room

Meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Minutes from 11/2/2009 approved

- Steve suggests getting the Campus Community Discussions document condensed and out for public view
 - o This would entail breaking down into themes/categories, remove the tables, etc.
 - o Caroline will do this.
- Campus Action Plan
 - o Extend the deadline?
 - o Can ThermalTech be useful to us? Bob Sheeran needs to be consulted.
 - Need visible evidence of momentum to capture the campus "buzz" created by Sustainability Day.
 - o End of Feb and end of March, two separate open for a.
 - o How do you program culture shift?
 - Have conversations with appropriate individuals prior to for a
 - Ex: Transportation—restructure Parking Committee?
 - o There will be institutional challenges with restructuring
 - These need to be posed to Mike Graham first
 - What are the policy implications? Collate the policy implications prior to next meeting
 - o Reduction in CO2 needs to be listed a metric for each portion.
 - Academics & Transportation and Communication & Purchasing will switch to review sections
 - o Perhaps have separate internal/external lists so that challenges don't become insurmountable.
 - Tag documents with "Committee Only" versions
- Student Intern Process
 - o Application deadline the Friday prior to finals (apps to go to Kathleen's office)
 - o Will interview candidates during finals week
- Budget recommendations

- o Green fee: submit to board but continue to discuss
 - Could be the major student impetus for change

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James Cave