

WSU Sustainability & the Environment Committee

AGENDA

DATE, TIME, & LOCATION: Friday, August 5th, 2011, 2:10-3:10pm, Lighty 405

ATTENDANTS: Terry Baxter-Potter, Dwight Hagihara, Bridgette Brady, Terry Ryan, Leif Moon Nielsen, John Reed, Gene Patterson, Dennis Gransbery, Jamie Bentley, Rick Finch, Jeff Lannigan, Marty O'Malley, Ade Snider

1. Call to Order - Dwight Hagihara
2. Approval of 8 July, 2011 Minutes - Dwight Hagihara
3. Climate Action Plan update - Marty O'Malley
 - a. The revised Climate Action Plan will be sent out for review. Any comments need to be sent back to Marty O'Malley by the 19th of August, so that a final version may be sent to DOE by the 31st. We are only responsible for WSU Pullman and the research/extension branches. Regional campuses will be responsible for reporting own numbers.
4. Stormwater construction ordinance - Gene Patterson
 - a. Ordinance was adopted in January 2011 and only applies to planned projects. WSU and Pullman are regulated by the Dept. of Ecology's Eastern WA Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit. Pullman is regulated as a Primary Permittee and WSU as a Secondary Permittee. The ordinance regulates sites that are at least 1 acre in size which are called Large Projects. It also regulates projects that are between 5000 sq. ft. up to 1 acre in size which are called Medium Projects, as well as smaller projects that have the potential to for significant amounts of sediment to migrate off-site. The Municipal Permit allows Primary and Secondary Permittees to enter into agreements that allow Primary Permittees to rely on Secondary Permittees to satisfy Primary Permittee requirements. Since WSU was already performing most of what is required in the ordinance, the City of Pullman was agreeable to develop an Interagency Agreement that allows WSU to review site plans, approve projects, and perform the inspections that Pullman would normally do.
5. Sustainability Fair - Dwight Hagihara
 - a. Sustainability class will help with most of the work. However, it will be appreciated if faculty and other student groups are involved. Anyone who can help or contribute should, please, contact John Reed or Jamie Bentley. Outside vendors will be invited to participate. The organizers will send out notices. If you are interested in being involved in the organization of the fair, contact Ade Snider and she will invite you to the organization/planning meetings.
6. AASHE membership renewal and funding - Dwight Hagihara

- a. The four groups listed need to, please, email program-budget-project information to Ade Snider by August 22nd.
 - i. CEREO/Grad School
 - ii. Campus Involvement
 - iii. SRC Wellbeing Program
 - iv. Center for Sustainability

7. 50 Keys to Creating Bikeable Communities – Bridgette Brady
 - a. The hope is to bring as many stakeholders together as possible to work together to bring Mia Birk to speak at WSU. WSU is not very bike friendly, but it is a part of the master plan for WSU to become bike friendly. It was suggested during the meeting to see if Mia Birk is available to come November 8th or 9th for the Sustainability Fair. Attached to the minutes is the handout Bridgette brought to the meeting.

8. Open Discussion
 - a. Zipcar will be here the first day of class. There is planned to be an introduction at the All Campus Picnic, and they will be part of the Lentil Festival as well.
 - b. Jamie had a green bike update. There are three more stations and 30 more bikes planned for August.
 - c. Possible Green Fund project from Rick Finch -- Big Belly Solar Compactors, <http://bigbellysolar.com/> . Rick is thinking of having a couple of students do a feasibility study before submitting to green fund.

NEXT MEETING: September , 2011 – Light 405 – 2:10pm-3:10pm