

WSU Sustainability & the Environment Committee

Meeting Minutes

DATE, TIME, & LOCATION: Monday, September 12, 2016, 8:30-10:00 a.m., CUB 206

ATTENDEES: Jason Sampson, Amy Whiteman, Nick Prante, Katie Fee, Dwight Hagihara, Shawn Deeds, Sarah Larson, Amanda Stahl, Brent Atkinson, Julie Padowski, Brian Shuffield, Rick Finch, Gary Coyle, Jeff Lannigan, Dan Maher

1. Call to Order - Jason Sampson
2. Introductions - Jason Sampson
Introductions for new voting members and attendees.
3. Fall Scheduling - Jason Sampson
SEC will meet the second Monday of every month during the first semester at 8:30-10:00 a.m. in CUB 206.
4. Green Fund project updates, been club and bottle refilling station - Jason Sampson
Jason provided status reports for the existing Green Funds. First, the bee club hives have been purchased and successfully established at the Organic Farm. Advertising was placed in the Daily Evergreen. The project is still active to ensure the hives make it through the first winter. Second, the bottle filling station was installed on August 19 outside the Todd Hall auditorium. The station will be monitored to determine the amount of usage.
5. Sustainability Fair - Jason Sampson
EH&S is hosting the biennial Sustainability Fair on October 19 in CUB Senior Ball Room from 11:00 - 2:00 p.m. The fair is an opportunity for faculty, staff, students, and approved vendors to showcase their sustainability efforts. Everyone at the meeting was encouraged to host a table or poster session at the event.
6. Zero waste efforts, Martin Stadium Club Seating - Shawn Deeds
In the initial effort to become a zero waste facility composting will be introduced into Martin Stadium Club Seating. EH&S will work with student groups to find volunteers who will stand by waste disposal bins and provide information about proper disposal. The volunteers will receive a donation for their efforts. Athletics will work with vendors and full time staff to properly manage material with in the concession and once the material leaves the Club Seating. Waste Management will determine the level of contamination and decide appropriate waste stream.
7. Website, advertising, and social media efforts - Jason Sampson
EH&S has developed a new sustainability website and is working with Finance and Administration IT Services to launch site. Advertising efforts with CUB and UREC

took place this summer and electronic advertising at several location with the goal of starting advertising in the fall semester.

8. Hazardous Material efforts – Jason Sampson

Jason provided a historical perspective and trends regarding hazardous materials management. A power point summarizing information was sent out to meeting attendees.

9. Open discussion

Nick Prante – SRC internal goal is zero waste by 2020. Since 2010 they have progressed from 40% to 64% and this year are introducing internal composting. These same efforts have been used at ALIVE barbecues with a 99% diversion rate in 2016.

Jeff Lannigan – A solar array is being installed at the Research and Technology Park.

Rick Finch – Waste Management out signage upgrade has been completed and the new indoor signage will be installed soon.

Gary Coyle – The aquaponics display has been switched to the Southside Café and they are looking at expanding system. Working with EH&S, Waste Management and Lamb Weston on a pilot project to recycle packaging from frozen potatoes. Determining feasibility of signing on with the EPA Food Recovery Challenge. Determining Feasibility of getting the Green Restaurant certification.

Katie Fee – ESA will be focusing on strengthening the partnership with other environmental clubs and green fund advertising.

Julie Padowski – Internal 5-year audit identified the need to increase the education component of CEREO.

Dan Maher – Discussed Shane McFarland’s efforts to push for the divesting from fossil fuels by the foundation.

Brent Atkinson – Transportation Services installed electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in the parking garages.

NEXT MEETING: To be October 10, 2016

8:30-10:00 CUB 206