

MINUTES
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY
10:00 AM, November 3, 2015
Carrington 203

Tammy Jahnke introduced/opened meeting.

Attendees:

Tammy Jahnke, Co-Chair	Karley Kindberg, SSF
Bill Cheek	Mike Klem
Jennifer Cox	Mike Kromrey
Teresa Frederick	Thomas Lane
Terrel Gallaway	Barbara Lucks
Janice Greene	Jordan Schanda
Tony Hein	

Approve Minutes from September 1, 2015 meeting—approved as amended.

Discussion about the draft of the new subcommittee charges and possible membership of the new subcommittees.

Jordan led a discussion and committee members accepted the new subcommittee charges. Jordan collected a list of names for each subcommittee and will contact them to serve.

News from around the room!

Tony Hein

- A new dish machine was installed in Garst Dining Center that will greatly reduce water usage.
- The Dining Hall newsletter will now be in video version to reduce use of paper.

Barbara Lucks

- A successful pharmaceutical take-back event was held in September, collecting over 1200 pounds of material, compared to around 700 pounds last year.
- The Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program is up and running and Missouri Clean Energy District is accepting applications.
- America Recycles Day will be celebrated by the Department of Environmental Services offering the Discovery Center free for the day, with special exhibits and activities related to recycling.
- Progress continues toward the availability of carpet/pad/mattress recycling with an expansion of services of an established local company.
- Solid Waste District “O” grants are being accepted through December 11, 2015.
- The Choose Environmental Excellence luncheon date has been set for April 29, 2016 at the White River Conference Center.

Teresa Frederick

- The October EcoChallenge resulted in 213 green room certifications, and a 26% reduction in power during the hour without power.

Karley Kindberg

- Students for a Sustainable Future are working on a Rain Garden proposal and are preparing for the Spring activities of Ecopalooza, MO Love Conference and RecycleMania.

Mike Klem

- The Darr Center hosted a Tri-State water coalition.
- The Missouri Department of Conservation held a field day at Journagan Ranch to showcase native grassland areas that have forage and wildlife benefits, alternative watering systems, edge feathering for wildlife, glade and woodland restoration areas, along with fencing demonstrations.

Mike Kromrey

- Watershed Committee of the Ozarks moved to new offices in the C.W. Titus Education Facility at the Watershed Center.
- The Little Sac River restoration grant will be extended and they are searching for citizens living along the Sac River Basin to participate.
- Working with Pilar on water conservation with the field hockey water cannon at MSU.

Jennifer Cox

- As a result of the Darr Big Urbie Water Reclamation project, there has been a 27% reduction between November 2014 and August 2015.
- The conversion of pedestrian lighting to LED lights is complete.

Janice Greene

- Hosted 40 educators during a Tri-State Conference (Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas) for the state sponsored environmental education programs.
- An Environmental Education Certificate is being proposed through the College of Natural and Applied Sciences.

Jordan Schanda

- EcoChallenge during October Energy Awareness Month (October 15-29) had 22 MSU teams with 115 individuals participate. Highlights include 861 gallons of water saved, 1080 minutes of indoor time converted to outdoor time, and diverting 19 pounds of food waste from entering the landfill.
- November is food waste prevention month. Events include:
Just Eat It documentary in the PSU Theater on November 5
Social Media Contest #LoveFoodNotWaste@MSUsustain
Composting Workshop at the Campus Garden on November 12
Food Waste displays in the dining halls
Eco-Rep tabling will cover food waste, eating local, donating, etc.

- Northwest Earth Institute Discussion Course – Menu for the Future begins this week.
- Campus Garden update: Two new garden managers have been selected. Representatives are Alex Johnson for Community Involvement and Service along with Lauren Webster for Planning, Design and Construction. A representative from grounds is still needed.
- Attended the AASHE conference and learned how to improve current programs while making several new connections.

Tammy Jahnke

- Please visit <http://www.missouristate.edu/developingplan/draft-mission-vision-values.htm> for the development of MSU's long range plan 2016-21.
- Ronda Headland from the Missouri Department of Conservation has a new office with the Center for Resource Planning and Management on the MSU campus.
- Geography Awareness week is November 15-21.
- Eric Shaw, Director of the Washington, DC Office of Planning will be speaking on November 13 at 4:00 p.m. in Meyer Library Auditorium.

Next meeting

December 1, 2015, CARR 203, 10:00 am

<http://www.missouristate.edu/sustainability/>