

MINUTES
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY
10:00 AM, April 7, 2015
Carrington 203

Tammy Jahnke introduced/opened meeting.

Attendees:

Tammy Jahnke, Co-Chair	Michael Klem
Ken McClure, Co-Chair	Mike Kromrey
Bill Cheek	Thomas Lane
Jennifer Cox	Barbara Lucks
Teresa Frederick	Jordan McGee
Terrel Gallaway	Matt Morris
Janice Greene	Joe Pitts
Brian Hauff	Jordan Schanda
Pilar Karlen	David Vaughan

Approve Minutes from March 3 meeting—approved as amended.

Reports from subcommittees -

1. Energy Subcommittee – Jen Cox, Chair

- Green Teams – currently, there are 21 teams reaching 800 employees; Eco-Ambassador training was held last month and was successful; a new logo has been developed with “leafs” and will be added to the Sustainability website soon.
- Temple Occupancy Sensor project and Crowdfunding – after approval from the Student Activities Council last month, met with Dean Jahnke and CNAS Department Heads for their approval and submitted application on April 3, 2015. Awaiting approval.
- Campus Conservation Nationals – events may be found on the website: <http://www.missouristate.edu/sustainability/224365.htm>
Kick off event April 8 at 7:00 p.m. in PSU.
Building Energy Competition updates can be viewed here: <http://buildingdashboard.net/missouristate/#/missouristate>

2. Benchmark Subcommittee – David Vaughan, Chair-The committee is working on the annual report to be presented at the May meeting.

3. Goal Watching Subcommittee – Joe Pitts and Mike Klem, co-Chairs-nothing to report at this time.

STARS Update

- Jordan Schanda provided an update on the status. MSU has 51.92 points of the 45 points required to earn a silver rating.

Visioning Committee Task Force

The task force met on April 6 and prepared a preliminary statement that reads “In alignment with the University’s Public Affairs Mission, Missouri State University is committed to conducting our activities as responsible stewards of the environment. Therefore we commit to expand our sustainability initiatives in order to continue improving our AASHE STARS rating.”

Discussion followed with suggestions for expanding the statement. The task force will meet again on April 30 to review the comments and make any necessary edits and the Sustainability Advisory Committee will continue to work on finalizing the vision statement.

Update on parking lot treatment by David Vaughan

Discussion about the alternative parking lot treatments available, treatments that have been applied to parking lots and the results along with continued efforts with alternatives to coal tar. Additional information:

http://blogs.missouristate.edu/president/2015/04/14/clifs-notes-for-april-14-2015/?utm_source=inside&utm_medium=feature&utm_content=04142015&utm_campaign=clifsnotes

Mike Kromrey and Joe Pitts articulated the effects of PAHs in water.

News from around the room!

Tony Hein (submitted by email)

- Lunch Without Lights scheduled each of the three weeks of Campus Conservation Nationals. Dining Halls will turn out their lights between 11am and 1pm to raise awareness about the competition and to save energy
- Barbeque scheduled to celebrate Earth Day.
- Updates to carbon footprint software.

Barbara Lucks

- City staff has just completed exhibiting at Native Plant Sale and at the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) trade show.
- We will be at Safe and Sound and at the Community Wide Play Day – both on April 18.
- We will be working with 12 Springfield public schools the week of May 4 – Teacher Appreciation Week.
- We’ll also be at Ecopalooza on April 24.
- April is Earth Month/Arbor Month! 48 activities are scheduled. Complete, up to date schedule, including volunteer opportunities available at www.OzarksEnvironment.com
- The Government Plaza Parking lot project is completed, with landscaping going in during the month of April.
- Tree City USA Citizens Advisory Committee will sponsor the celebration of Springfield’s 30th year as a Tree City on April 10 (Springfield Arbor Day) by planting 30 trees for 30 years, with a special ceremony and celebration on Park Central Square at 4:30 p.m.
- We have taken delivery of our new Special Event Recycling Trailer – provided via funding from the Solid Waste Management District “O” grant program.

Jordan McGee

- Student Body Elections are in April.

Pilar Karlen

- Lighting audits are being conducted in McDonald Arena and other buildings on campus.
- Buildings are being switched from heating to cooling systems.

Mike Klem

- The Springfield News-Leader published an article about the history and ruins located at The Woodlands. To visit the area, please schedule an appointment with the Darr School of Agriculture.
- Baker's Acres is part of sustainability research projects.

Mike Kromrey

- Watershed Committee is part of Give Ozarks Day. We are raising money all day May 5th to help repair the fishing piers and boardwalk at the Watershed Center. Here is the link to find out how you can help WCO and the community:
<http://watershedcommittee.org/>
- Saturday, July 18, 2015. Watershed Summer Gala at the Art Museum.
<http://watershedcommittee.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/2015-Sponsor-Packet.pdf>.

Jennifer Cox

- Student funded pedestrian light LED project: lamps have arrived, installing them first in areas where lights are out and then will be replacing others systematically over the next couple of months.

Joe Pitts

- The annual Earth Day Cleanup will be Wednesday April 22 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Lake Springfield. In addition there will be highway and shoreline cleanup at 12:30 at one of these three locations: Joe Creighton Access, Southwood Access, Jamesville Adopt-a-Hwy.
- James River Rescue clean-up is scheduled on Saturday June 6 at 8:00 a.m.
- River Jam will be June 13 on Park Central Square 5-11p.m. Live music and 1000 pounds of boiled crawdads.
- James River Partnership is also participating in Give Ozarks Day on May 5.

Brian Hauff

- Bid openings for parking lot projects and LED lighting projects.

Matt Morris

- There will be a tree planting ceremony at Craig Hall on April 8 in observance of Arbor Day.

Next meeting

May7, 2015, CARR 203, 10:00 am

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