

SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES
MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY
10:00 AM, September 3, 2013, Carrington 203

Members in Attendance:

Shelby Anderson	Janice Greene	Ken McClure	Max Wagner
Bill Cheek	Tony Hein	Tina McManus	
Jen Cox	Tammy Jahnke	Matt Morris	
Nicki Donnelson	Paige Jenkins	Joe Pitts	
Teresa Frederick	Brad Kielhofner	Tom Radomski	
Terrel Gallaway	Mike Klem	David Vaughan	

- ❖ **Approve Minutes from August 6 meeting-Tony Hein first motion, David Vaughan second motion and minutes unanimously approved by committee.**

Reports from subcommittees -

1. Energy Subcommittee – Jen Cox, Chair-

- October events//Green Teams, checklist and application to be sent out soon after the Energy Subcommittee meets to approve. The process will be similar to Harvard model, the checklist of items to complete is at least 12, when 70% of any particular office signs and agrees to complete then they will accomplish certification. Attached are the checklist and the application, both in draft form. Both items will be available on the Sustainability webpage. We are working on a logo and potential slogan of “Save some green”.
- It was decided to not move forward with an incentive, noted that other universities have followed a similar path and chosen not to include this either.
- Dining in the Dark will take place on Halloween, LED candles and educational materials will be used to show energy savings/usage.
- Green Apple Day of Service is September 28. We hope to be able to have a service event related to Energy.
- The Energy dashboard is still a work in progress, some programs not available yet so there will be some delay until these are added. There is work still to be done on a slogan for the Energy dashboard, and input from the campus community is encouraged to help select one and then the marketing will soon follow. A prize for \$50 gift card to local venue will be offered to motivate participation.
- Campus Renovations National, a competition to urge saving energy amongst university campuses.
- Work continues on the Energy Policy, Energy Star purchasing policy and the Watersense purchasing policy.

2. Benchmark Subcommittee – David Vaughan, Chair-Has not met, but will update in preparation for May 2014. Most likely they will not be meeting again until the Spring semester in anticipation of the May 2014 timeframe.

3. Goal Watching Subcommittee – Bill Cheek, Chair-The report is attached with only one change from the May draft (The Monroe Apartments received basic LEED certification).

Goals Discussion – Short Term and Long Term-Dean Jahnke provided overview and opened the floor for discussion.

Short Term Goals-

- **What's missing?**
- **Matt Morris**-Academic goals, how realistic to accomplish? To Dean Jahnke-Noted it is unnecessary to provide definition, so the logical next step would be for the Faculty Senate to adopt. The Sustainability Minor is in progress, process starts in October and is expected to be available by next year.
- **How best to delegate what remains to accomplish?** An emphasis on getting Faculty Senate more involved was noted by Dean Jahnke. City and Administration is on board and aware of process and what is to be considered.

***Special Note:** There will be no need to state “define initiative”. Dean Jahnke suggested to utilize the AASHE standard as definition. This will meet with what seems to be the board's preference in the process from last year.

- **Bill Cheek**-How do we show we've met goals after adoption and completion?
 - Categorize by what's met and what's not, or by subject.
- ❖ Next meeting come prepared to adopt Short Term Goals-Dean Jahnke will coordinate distribution and communication to Faculty Senate with the assistance of Terrel Gallaway and Janice Greene. Terrell Gallaway recommended waiting to approve goals until after the Faculty Senate has been informed.

Long Term Goals-

- Jen Cox is working on data and information regarding campus reliance on clean/renewable energy between now and the October meeting to accomplish adopting the Long Term Goals.

Subcommittee Membership Assignments for 2013-2014

- **Energy Subcommittee**-Chair Jen Cox, Kara Andres, Max Wagner, Randy Blackwood, Terrel Gallaway, Pilar Karlen, Thomas Lane, Barbara Lucks, Matt Morris, Cara Shaefer, David Vaughan, WD Blackmon
- **Goal Watching Subcommittee**-Chair Bill Cheek, Tony Hein, Thomas Lane, Janice Greene, Teresa Frederick, Evan Clark
- **Benchmark Subcommittee**-Chair David Vaughan, David Schneider, Paige Jenkins, Terrel Gallaway, Brad Kielhofner, Shelby Anderson, Pilar Karlen, Tom Radomski
- ❖ **Subcommittee for AASHE Stars Rating**-Dean Jahnke provided overview and initiated discussion.

- **Dean Jahnke**-Establish Controller, then the Controller delegates reporters for any information to be updated. Last time the review/submission team was very conservative. Similar process expected this time, but changes are expected in how the elements are divided. AASHE technical manual is available and accessible online. Spring/Summer of 2014 is the goal for next STARS submission.
- **Terrel Gallaway**-suggested the AASHE committee stand alone, report to Sustainability Advisory Committee.
- **Dean Jahnke**-encouraged student members to be ready to suggest other students interested in participating in committee.
- **Dean Jahnke**-suggested a larger group meeting to expose more of the campus community to the AASHE Stars Rating process and committee formation.

Watershed Center Event – October 2 (see attached flyer)

AASHE Conference – October 6-9, 2013-

- **3 presentations represented by MSU-Janice Green, Evan Clark and Lauren Bansbach.**

News from around the room!

Teresa Frederick-a glass recycling program has been established in the residence halls

Brad Kielhofner-The Bond Learning Center achieved a Silver LEED rating

Max Wagner-The Student Sustainability Committee will meet after Student Senate tonight, meeting the team and getting familiar, organized for the new year.

Joe Pitts-The River Rescue Clean Up is October 5, and there will be a pancake breakfast for members only provided by Village Inn. Check the website to reserve canoes available first come, first serve.

Shelby Anderson-The Sustainability Newsletter will be available soon, goal is to provide two per semester.

David Vaughan-Still considering the best way to distribute the newsletter. New recycling student workers are starting this week, Kelsey and Megan. Greet them when you see them!

- Paige Jenkins suggested the Bear Bulletin could be good option to distribute the newsletter.
- Suggestions are welcome and should be sent to Shelby and David.

Jen Cox-

- The water reclamation project is in progress and is being coordinated with the help of Mike Klem
- LED lights were installed in lot 4, lot 15 LED lighting will be installed during fall break, and the energy audit is still underway this week and should be complete by late October.

Mike Klem-

- Spring planting of trees and shrubs in the South Creek riparian zone at the Darr Agriculture Center went well. The planting was funded by a Big Urbie grant through the Watershed Committee of the Ozarks and James River Basin Partnership.
- The South creek now has a functioning colony of beavers and a second colony is developing at the Darr Agriculture Center.
- The Tri-State Water Coalition Project is November 14-15 at the Bond Learning Center, everyone is invited to attend. Cody Brewington of MSU Outreach Noncredit is coordinating the program and registration. More details will be provided soon.
- The Journagan Ranch is developing additional warm season grass areas and water saving and utilization programs in cooperation with the Department of Conservation. The trails system is being renovated at the Shealy Farm property.

*Dean Jahnke noted there are new trees being planted along sidewalks recently completed toward Strong Hall.

Next meeting: October 1, 2013

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