

MINUTES
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY
10:00 AM, December 2, 2014
Carrington 314D

Dean Jahnke introduced/opened meeting.

Attendees:

Tammy Jahnke, Co-Chair
Ken McClure, Co-Chair
Bill Cheek
Jennifer Cox
Emily Donovan
Teresa Frederick
Terrel Gallaway
Tony Hein
Brad Kielhofner
Mike Kromrey
Thomas Lane
Barbara Lucks
Tina McManus
Matt Morris
Joe Pitts
Jordan Schanda
Cara Shaefer
David Vaughan

Approve Minutes from November 4 meeting—approved.

Reports from subcommittees -

1. Energy Subcommittee – Jen Cox, Chair

- Next meeting December 3, 2014
- Planning is beginning for Campus Conservation Nationals. The energy competition will take place in April 2015.
- MSU now has an energy policy which is one paragraph with set goals for energy conservation and renewables. This will be part of the university policy library.

2. Benchmark Subcommittee – David Vaughan, Chair-The committee will meet in January 2015.

3. Goal Watching Subcommittee – Joe Pitts and Mike Klem, co-Chairs-final report submitted and accepted.

Green Ideas

- This is a new page on the sustainability website where students, faculty and staff members can submit their ideas to make Missouri State more sustainable.
- This is a good opportunity for communication, STARS and green themes.
- Nine ideas have been received to date.

STARS Update

- Formal contact for information has been made on all 70 credits.
- The goal is to submit the report in February 2015.

News from around the room!

Barbara Lucks

- The City's Department of Environmental Services sponsored a free day at the Discovery Center for America Recycles Day on November 15. 996 people attended.
- The City, with grant assistance from Waste District O, will be purchasing a recycling trailer for use at special events.
- The final meeting of the Citizen's Environmental Priorities Task Force will take place this evening, completing this community priority component of the creation of the City/County/City Utilities Integrated Plan for the Environment.
- The City's Overflow Control Plan was presented to City Council on November 24 and will be voted on at their December 15 meeting. Passage is anticipated, after which the 10-year, \$200 million plan will be submitted to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources by the end of the year deadline.
- The recommendations of the Green Building Task Force is scheduled to be presented to a joint meeting of City Council and Greene County Commission on January 27. It is anticipated that the recommendation to participate in the PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) Program will also be presented.

Brad Kielhofner

- The contractor who is constructing the new Davis-Harrington Welcome Center is tracking their construction waste as part of their project requirements. According to their current progress report, they estimate that approximately 5 tons of furnishings from Madison Hall have been repurposed and approximately 30.5 tons of metals and 350 tons of concrete, brick, and masonry have been recycled rather than sent to the landfill.

Jordan Schanda

- Missouri State received the Governor's Award of Excellence for implementing several energy-saving initiatives, including the Energy Management System, the building space-scheduling program and campus education initiatives.
- The sustainability newsletter will be sent out tomorrow. Please let Jordan know if you have additions to the mailing list.
- Initial discussions about the possibility of pursuing zero waste on campus. An outside company will come in to help with assessment.
- The Sustainability Minor program proposal will be submitted to all College Councils on January 13 as it is an interdisciplinary program. Since all councils meet at the same time, please contact Jordan if you are able to help with the presentations.

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Joe Pitts

- The City of Springfield has received a grant from the Department of Natural Resources to return the concrete channel that makes up the bed of South Creek running along Sunset Avenue between Campbell Street and Kansas Expressway to a

more natural condition. The concrete will be removed and the area will be returned to a natural wetland.

Teresa Frederick

- Donation stations are in place.
- Food waste focus in November went well.
- Recyclemania soon!

Jennifer Cox

- Facilities is collaborating with Environmental Management on an Indoor Air Quality procedure which is listed on the SAC short term goals.
- Working with City Utilities on electronic billing and smart metering. MSU is in consideration as a beta site. Electronic billing and smart metering will allow for better monitoring of usage and could result in increased conservation.
- Working with Coca-Cola on shutting down vending machines where possible during Winter Break to conserve energy.

Matt Morris

- Recognition of the hard work of Students for a Sustainable Future for their recycling efforts during Bearfest Village.

Mike Kromrey

- The Watershed Committee of the Ozarks also received the Governor's Award of Excellence for dedication in enhancing Missouri's natural resources.
- The Darr Agricultural Center rainwater project is conserving a large amount of water.

Emily Donovan

- 25,000 cans along with other recyclables were collected during Bearfest Village.
- MSU will be hosting the MO Love retreat that unites environmental organizations across the state. The January leadership conference brings organizations from Missouri universities together to discuss collective action.

Tammy Jahnke

- A reminder to university employees to shut down everything in your office before leaving for winter break.

Next meeting

February 3, 2015, CARR 203, 10:00 am

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