

Minutes/Notes of 2nd Meeting on Sustainability
Tuesday, October 2, 2007
Noon, Leon Memorial Hall

Present: Gary Jones, Kristin Young Jaramillo, Renee Vigil, Julie Waechter, Jordan Hudson, Mick Daniel, Dan Carver, Michelle Reed, Erika McNulty, Morgan Ramsey Daniel, Ted McNeilsmith, Linda Relyea, Mary Hoffman, Zena Buser, Cameron Miller, Christy Miller, Tony Ross, Laura E. Moore, and Marty Jones

We started with a discussion of how to organize the overall group. A consensus was reached (at least that's the way I interpreted it) to establish some task forces/groups with specific interests. The groups that were identified include: Transportation, Energy, Water, Recycling, Composting/Food, and Communication/Publication/ Education. Folks who were present were encouraged to sign up for a task force/group. Here's the result: **Transportation:** Mick Daniel, Jordan Hudson, Dan Carver, Marty Jones; **Energy:** Gary Jones, Cameron Miller, Christy Miller; **Water:** Julie Waechter, Zena Buser, Tony Ross; **Recycling:** Ted McNeilsmith, Mick Daniel, Erica McNulty, Michelle Reed; **Composting/Food:** Morgan Ramsey Daniel, Kristin Young-Jaramillo, Mary Hoffman, Laura Moore, Marty Jones; **Communication/Publication/Education:** Linda Relyea, Julie Waechter, Morgan Ramsey Daniel, Kristin Young-Jaramillo, Cameron Miller. **People who were not able to attend but are interested in joining a group should send an email with their preferred group(s) to Marty and he'll add names to the appropriate group.** Groups are charged with meeting (in person or virtually) and selecting a "chair" prior to the next meeting on October 26 at noon in the Student Life center of the SUB.

Will the first person listed for each group above to try to organize the initial meeting of the group?

Please note that this does not imply that person should necessarily be the chair. If you need contact information for the group members, please let me know. I'll also tell you if other folks would like to join a specific task force. Thanks.

Other items of discussion:

- Mick Daniel reported that he, Jordan Hudson, and Dan Carver have secured some bicycles and plan to get a Green Bike Program started!
- Name for the sustainability group. Julie suggested "The Green Team". Please send any other suggestions to Marty for circulation to everyone, and we'll try to make a decision at the next meeting.
- How to best communicate information, especially with students. Jordan mentioned that students don't always check the Portal announcements, and do not frequently check their ASC email address. Dan suggested putting up signs on campus, and Julie offered to seek funding from the President's office to print up some signs. Mick suggested starting a Google group for communication. Students mentioned word of mouth is also employed. Ted suggested emailing all faculty with a request that they announce our meetings in classes a couple of days prior to the meetings.
- Earth Day, 2008. A couple of folks mentioned Earth Day, 2008 (April 22) as a target for an event that focuses on campus sustainability efforts. I believe there was a general consensus that this would be a good idea. Please let me know if I misinterpreted the brief discussion.
- Contests. Who can recycle the most aluminum, plastic, paper, cardboard, etc? Prizes to be awarded at the Earth Day event?
- Sustainability tip of the week. There was a specific request that we focus initially on energy and water use. Try to keep track of electricity use for an entire month and compare kWh from same month of previous year. Gary said it would be possible to track this.

Next meeting: Friday, October 26, 2008 at noon in the Student Life Center, SUB. Be ready to identify "chairs" of the individual task forces. Hopefully, the task forces will have further information/ideas to share regarding goals/activities. We'll also try to come up with a name for our overall group.

Submitted by Marty Jones, 10/5/07