

Minutes
Institute for Sustainable Practices Planning Meeting
Friday, January 13, 2011, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Attendees:

Melinda Beane, Social Science
Kate Bonifas, Student
Deanna Carlson, Student
Susie Cousar, Health & PE
Jennifer Hayward, Sustainability Office
Devin Hinshaw, Student
Brian Kelly, Conference and Culinary Services
Zed Langston, Student
Chelsea Laws, Student
Alicia Markus, Student
Claudia Owen, Science
Russ Pierson, Facilities Management & Planning
Rosie Sweetman, Learning Garden
Tweet, Student
Sherry Wellborn, Advanced Technology
Robbie Wolford, Student

Minutes:

1. Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves.

2. Announcements

- a. *Urban Landscape Program & Learning Garden Class proposals:* Susie, Sherry, and Rosie reported that a small team from Lane and UO met to begin planning for an Urban Landscape Program which will include a Learning Garden class for Lane. **Susie asked Committee members to let her know if they are interested in getting involved and helping with this project.**
- b. *Upcoming Speakers – Sandra Steingraber & Van Jones:* Susie announced that Sandra Steingraber will be speaking at the UO on April 28, 2011. Dr. Steingraber is a biologist, author, and activist who speaks about the dangers of living downstream from pollution among other things. Susie will announce more specific information about the date in a subsequent meeting. Lane Community College Sustainability is co-sponsoring this event by making a small donation through our Foundation account. Susie is hoping to organize an event at LCC in connection with Dr. Steingraber's appearance at UO. **Please let Susie know if you would like to help with organizing an event at Lane.**

Jennifer announced that Van Jones will be speaking at the UO EMU Ballroom at 7:30 pm on Monday, January 24, 2011. Van Jones is a globally recognized, award-winning pioneer in human rights and the clean-energy economy. The event is free. Jennifer encouraged everyone to meet at McMenamins on 19th Street at 5 pm on 1/24/11 for dinner before the Van Jones event.

- c. *Food Justice Conference at UO*: Susie announced that the UO is sponsoring a Food Justice Conference on February 19-21, 2011. The Conference is free and open to the public; however, conference organizers encourage people to register at:
<http://waynemorsecenter.uoregon.edu/foodjustice/program/attend.htm>.
- d. *Other Announcements*: Claudia announced that the Science division is working on an AAS degree and AAOT course of study for watershed studies.

Devin announced that ASLCC is discussing supporting a carpool system. Susie noted that the State is working on a statewide carpool system too.

Devin announced that a group of students have been meeting to discuss and plan for a Sustainable Living Skills Center at Lane. The group is participating in Lane's master planning process and is encouraging the college to include a site for a sustainable living/learning area in which students can live and be introduced to a sustainable lifestyle through classes and other opportunities.

3. Operation of Committee

Susie proposed a plan for the operation of the Sustainability Committee. The proposed plan is to meet once per month for 2 hours. The meetings will be on the 2nd Thursday of the month from 3-5 pm. The first hour of the meeting will be for announcements and reporting. The second hour will be for working groups. Susie will keep an up to date task list that the Committee will use for reporting at the beginning of the meeting. During the last hour of the meeting, the working groups will work on their tasks. The Committee approved this plan.

4. Review Goals from Last Meeting, Strategize, Determine/Assign Next Steps

GOALS FROM 10/22/10 MEETING

- 1. Climate Action Plan – See attached draft CAP.
 - a. Influence campus long range master plan with sustainability.
 - b. Climate friendly transportation initiatives.

DISCUSSION AT 1/13/11 MEETING: Jennifer gave a presentation to the Committee about the draft Climate Action Plan. Committee members made brief comments on the plan. Jennifer asked Committee members to submit additional changes to her as they get a chance to review the plan in more detail. [NOTE: The plan has been updated with comments from the Sustainability Committee, the Facilities Council and attendees of the Managers' Forum. A 2nd draft has been posted on line at <http://www.lanecc.edu/sustainability/climateactionplan.html>.].

The committee agreed that all of our goals could move forward using working groups that are tied to sections of the Climate Action Plan. The Committee divided into working groups that will begin meeting during the last hour of our February meeting. The working groups are:

Energy Efficiency: Devin, Zed
Transportation: Jennifer, Robbie
Land Use: Sherry, Deanna, Melinda, Rosie
Reduced Waste: Chelsea, Brian
Education: Alicia, Claudia, Kate, Russ, Susie

2. Participate in developing the Integrated Learning Center so that the Institute for Sustainable Practices is an integral part.

DISCUSSION AT 1/13/11 MEETING: Susie reported that she is participating in the planning meetings for the Integrated Learning Center to ensure that sustainability is included.

3. Develop more connections between operations and instruction.
 - a. Green Offices.

DISCUSSION AT 1/13/11 MEETING: Include as a project under one of the Climate Action Plan Working Groups.

4. Promotion!

DISCUSSION AT 1/13/11 MEETING: Include as a project under several of the Climate Action Plan Working Groups.

5. Make paper from materials grown on campus.

DISCUSSION AT 1/13/11 MEETING: Committee agreed to table this goal until some more of the actions under the Climate Action Plan are accomplished.

5. Have Fun!

Jennifer reminded the Committee about a few social events that are planned for Committee members for the next couple of months:

- Monday, January 24, 2011, 5 pm, McMenamins on 19th Street: Meet up for happy hour dinner before the Van Jones event at the UO.
- Thursday, February 24, 2011, 5 pm, dinner and/or drinks at the Pizza Research Institute