# Minutes

# Institute for Sustainable Practices Planning Meeting Thursday, May 12, 2011, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

#### **Attendees:**

Susie Cousar, Health & PE Jennifer Hayward, Sustainability Office Brian Kelly, Conference and Culinary Services Claudia Owen, Science

### **Minutes:**

#### 1. Announcements

- a. *Paul Cienfuegos, May 16*: Paul Cienfuegos will be speaking about corporate rights as the core of almost every environmental and social justice problem that we face. Corporate power grew immensely toward the end of the 19th century with the dismantling of legal restraints and the redefinition of corporations as "persons." As citizens, we can take back our power from these fictitious corporate "persons." Cienfuegos tells of communities doing just that on Monday, May 16 from 7-9 pm at Harris Hall, 125 E. 8<sup>th</sup>, Eugene.
- b. *Grounds for Resistance, May 24:* Grounds for Resistance is a 50 minute documentary about a group of U.S. veterans who opened COFFEE STRONG, a coffee shop located outside the gates of the U.S. Army base Fort Lewis in Washington. At the center of the film are the men and women whose experiences in the military and war compel them to commit themselves to help others who are serving or have served in the past. It explores how their relationships with one another and their activist efforts to make a more peaceful and just world help them cope with their own experiences. University of Oregon, Lawrence Hall, Room 115, 7 pm. http://csws.uoregon.edu/?p=9211
- c. Campus Ecology Webinars: The National Wildlife Federation Campus Ecology division has a great series of sustainability and learning webinars relevant to community colleges. Coming up on July 14, "Sustainability in the Curriculum Successful strategies for integrating sustainability into the curriculum," and on September 22, "Student Perspectives Green jobs education and training and perspectives from current students and recent graduates." All of the webinars are free and you can register to view them at <a href="http://www.nwf.org/Global-Warming/Campus-Solutions/Events/Greener-Campus-Webinars.aspx">http://www.nwf.org/Global-Warming/Campus-Solutions/Events/Greener-Campus-Webinars.aspx</a>. Past webinars can also be downloaded for free at the same website.
- d. *Opportunity to Partner with Santa Barbara City College on Eco-Entrepreneur program*: Jennifer announced that Santa Barbara City College has invited Lane to be a partner in a FIPSE Eco-Entrepreneur grant for which SBCC is applying. Jennifer will e-mail the request to the committee and request input on whether we want to participate.

## 2. Master Planning Task Force Input

Jennifer reported that a subcommittee comprised of her, Susie, Claudia, Toby, and Deanna drafted a response to the current draft of the Long Range Planning Report that was presented to the Board on May 11. Comments from the IFSP were submitted to the Facilities Council and the College Council on May 11. Bob Baldwin, chair of College Council, and Sonya Christian, Vice President of Lane Community College, both indicated that they would try to get the IFSP comments into the final 2011 Long Range Planning Report that will be presented to the Board of Education at their June meeting. Jennifer will send the IFSP comments that were submitted to the Facilities Council and College Council to the IFSP e-mail list.

3. Sustainability Strategic Direction – Context & Goals, Implementation Plan, Conferences CONTEXT AND GOALS: Jennifer reviewed Lane's strategic direction website (http://www.lanecc.edu/research/planning/StrategicDirections.htm). Each of Lane's strategic directions is listed on this website and each have a link to a "Context & Goals" document and an "Implementation Plan" document. The committee reviewed the sustainability context and goals document (http://www.lanecc.edu/research/planning/documents/SustainableLearning.pdf). Susie and Jennifer prepared this document at the end of last year and then some edits and changes were made by the College Council before it was finalized and uploaded to the website. The committee reviewed the current version of the "Context and Goals" and recommended a few changes. Jennifer will circulate the revised context

*IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:* Committee reviewed and commented on the draft implementation plan for the sustainability strategic direction. Jennifer will make the requested edits and send out the committee for final review and approval via e-mail.

and goals document to the committee for review and input and then Brian and Jennifer will work with the

college to have the version as reviewed and approved by the IFSP loaded to the web.

CONFERENCES: Brian announced that in support of the sustainability strategic direction, Lane will be holding two sustainability conferences in 2011/12. One will be on October 14 and one will be on April 13. Committee agreed that the final IFSP meeting for the year will be dedicated to conference planning. Susie suggested Kathleen Dean-Moore as a possible keynote speaker (<a href="http://www.riverwalking.com/bio.html">http://www.riverwalking.com/bio.html</a>). Susie also suggested looking at the 2011 Bioneers speaker list for ideas. The Bioneers Conference is October 14-16 in San Fransisco. It is possible that a speaker traveling to the west coast to speak at the Bioneers Conference on 10/15/11, might be willing to fly through Eugene to speak at Lane on 10/14/11. Jennifer will send out the notice for the conference planning meeting.