Sustainability Committee Monday, March 19, 2012, 2:30-3:30 pm, Building 4, Room 105

Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions

Present: Susie Cousar, Jennifer Hayward, Jim Lindly, Mike O'Neal, Claudia Owen, Toni Timmers

2. Updates and Announcements

- Rainwater Collection Possibilities: Claudia explained that student member, Monica Christoffels, asked to discuss rainwater harvesting opportunities at Lane at a Sustainability Committee meeting and that Sarah Whitney suggested that her water conservation classes could collaborate on a project. Jim noted that there is a person in the Small Business Development Center who does rainwater harvesting who is also a potential collaborator.
- *Take Back the Tap:* Mike reported that he is still working with vendors. He also has spoken with Bookstore manager, Tony Sanjume and he is on Board. Mike recommended that we still allow bottled water for athletics and special events until we get a better infrastructure for providing water to guests who are doing athletic activities. The Committee agreed.
- Foodservices sustainability items: Mike said that he is awaiting student class project deliverables for the returnable container project. He also announced that he would like to move to operating the hot dog cart with solar and he requested input as to how to go about researching possibilities. Claudia will talk to Energy Management Program (i.e. Roger Ebbage, Erik Westerholm, etc) about whether they or their students can provide any advising. Jennifer will talk to FMP staff.
- League for Innovation Award for Zimride!!!: Jennifer announced that Zimride won a League for Innovation Award with a \$900 prize. Committee briefly discussed options for using the money and will have a more formal brainstorming session on options at the next meeting.
- *Peace Conference:* Susie encouraged Sustainability Committee members to attend the Peace Conference on April 20-22. Members can check out the website to learn more and to register (<u>http://www.lanecc.edu/peacecenter/2012 peace symposium.html</u>). Conference attendees will have opportunities to learn from and network with national leaders in advocacy and activism in areas including abolishing "corporate personhood."

3. Sustainability in Learning Subcommittee

Claudia and Susie announced that they are recruiting faculty for the Sustainability in Learning Committee which will be working on projects such as reviewing applications for sustainability course status.

4. Earth Day

Attendees reviewed the Earth Day schedule and developed a list of actions steps. This Earth Day Activity Planning Grid is attached. **Committee members will review the grid and complete their actions that are listed on it.**

Attendees discussed promoting Earth Day. Suggestions included:

- Putting Earth Day on the rotating banner of the Lane main webpage.
- More weekly announcements
- Facebook
- Asking Lane's Public Information Officer for additional suggestions.
- KLCC announcement
- See if LTD would have a free trip to LCC day.

5. Next meeting: The next meeting will be the first day of spring term – Monday, April 2 from 2:30-3:30 pm in Building 4, Room 106. Note that the room is changing from 105 to 106.

EARTH DAY 2012

Activity Planning Grid

Lead	Activity/Location	Suggested Date/Time	Action Steps
Anna Scott	Solar Station Ribbon Cutting at Solar Station	4/19; 11:00- 11:30 am	Inviting people – including electric car owners to plug in car. Getting Ribbon & scissors Writing 5 minute speech for Mary
Nancy Schwoerer & Jennifer Hayward	Exhibit Tables in the Cafeteria and/or in the Building 30 Lobby	4/19; 10:00 am – 2:00 pm	 Genesis juice Sutra soy foods Humming bird Organically grown. BRING LTD Zimride Next Step Salvation army Goodwill Redoux parlor No cash clothing stash St. Vincent De Paul NEEI Sequential Green Store Local farms advertising CSAs Aprovecho Center for Appropriate Transport Beyond Toxics National Coalition for Alternatives to pesticides (NCAP) Susie will send some more. Territorial Seeds NEDCO (Neighborhoor Economic Development Corporation, Project sprout!) Down to Earth Arcimoto Camas Education Network Moutain Rose Herbs Camas Country Mill City of Eugene Sustainability Office, riparian habitat – Stream Team City of Springfield sustainability South Fork Watershed Council Lane County solid waste/toxic

Monica Christoffels	Take back the Tap table and water taste	4/19; 10:00 am – 2:00 pm	waste/recycling Chevy Volt and/or Nissan Leaf dealer Bookstore Make signage. Gather supplies for water taste test.
Jamina Shupack & Brian Kelly	test in cafeteria Activities and Food in Learning Garden	4/19; 12:00 – 4:00 pm	 Schedule of volunteers Brian will ask Culinary and Hospitality faculty to have classes help with making and serving food. Jamina will let Brian know what veggies we should have available from the garden for soup making.
Julia Schnabel	Walking tour of Lane's sustainable landscapes	4/19; 10:00- 10:45 am & 3:00-3:45 pm	•
Wendy Simmons/Toni Timmers	Walking tour of nature trails	4/19; 1:30-2:30	 Ask Biology faculty if they would want to participate to provide information on the ecology of the area (Pat Boleyn or Joe Russin).
Jennifer Hayward	Tour of Building 30	4/19; 11:30 am- 12:30 pm	• Tour is ready. Just need to promote it.
? (Jennifer, Mike, Nancy?)	More Take Back the Tap promotional stuff		 Design posters (or work with class to design). Design info sheet to go inside reusable bottles that includes map of water refill stations. Screen the Story of Bottled Water in the Cafeteria Have pledge sheets up in cafeteria?
	Should we do tour of waste treatment plant?		Ask Dave Willis