

Sustainability Committee  
Tuesday, January 29, 2:00-3:00 pm, Building 7, Room 212K

## Minutes

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

- Present: Darlene Colborn, Jennifer Hayward, Brian Kelly, Pamela McGilvray, Bob Mention, Jyoti Naik, Claudia Owen, Russ Pierson, Anna Scott, Mike Sims, Jennifer White, Dave Willis.

### 2. Updates and Announcements

- *Health and Wellness Fair Debrief:* Jennifer reported that 75+ employees signed the pledge to not drink bottled water. Visitors provided lots of positive feedback on the “Take Back the Tap” campaign and a couple of pieces of constructive criticism. Positive feedback included stories of individuals and departments changing behaviors since the last term. Constructive criticism included a concern about the quality of tap water in some places at Lane and a concern about difficulty for visitors having access to water.
- *League for Innovation Awards:* Claudia reported that League for Innovation award proposals are due February 18, 2013. Jennifer noted that Mike Sims was considering submitting a proposal for Bike Lane and Anna Scott was considering submitting a proposal for the Solar Station.
- *Peace Center Events:* Claudia announced two upcoming Peace Center Events:
  - “One Billion Rising” campaign to get a billion people dancing around the globe on February 14<sup>th</sup> to raise awareness of gender violence. On February 14<sup>th</sup> at noon, there will be a 5 minute flash dance in the Lane Center Building Cafeteria. For those who want to learn some simple dance moves and practices, dance instructor, Mary Seereiter, is offering free practice sessions in Building 5, Room 132 from 1:50-2:20 pm on 1/30, 2/8, 2/11, and 2/13. No need to learn dance moves to participate in the 2/14/13 event.
  - The Annual Peace Conference will take place at Lane’s Center for Meeting and Learning on April 19, 2013. The theme is “Rising to End Gender Violence.”

### 3. Climate Action Plan – Energy Efficiency

Committee discussed ways to be involved with the Energy Efficiency Actions in the Climate Action plan. Anna presented a slide that showed the Energy Utilization Index (energy use per square foot) of a traditional building (most buildings at Lane) vs. high performance buildings (Health and Wellness and Downtown Campus) vs. where we really need to be to reach climate neutrality. This slide is attached. Committee ideas were:

- Develop a Climate (or Energy or Sustainability) Ambassador program that is similar to the Wellness Champion program. These ambassadors can help with training and encouragement for energy conservation in their departments. They can help promote:
  - turning off lights, monitors, and other electronics when they are not being used
  - setting up the power management features on computers
  - not using 1500 watt space heaters
  - putting energy conservation stickers on energy using devices
  - replacing incandescent bulbs with fluorescent
  - installing time/motion sensors on plugs.
- Use the Building Safety Inspection checklist as a model.

- There should be training for the ambassadors and for departments.
- We should consider how to collaborate with students/classes.

The Committee unanimously voted to support a department energy/climate/or sustainability ambassadors initiative that should include a checklist or toolbox and training(s).

Russ and Darlene volunteered to join the toolbox subcommittee. Jennifer will schedule a meeting of the toolbox subcommittee.

Attendees briefly discussed how to promote the program and get departments involved. Ideas included:

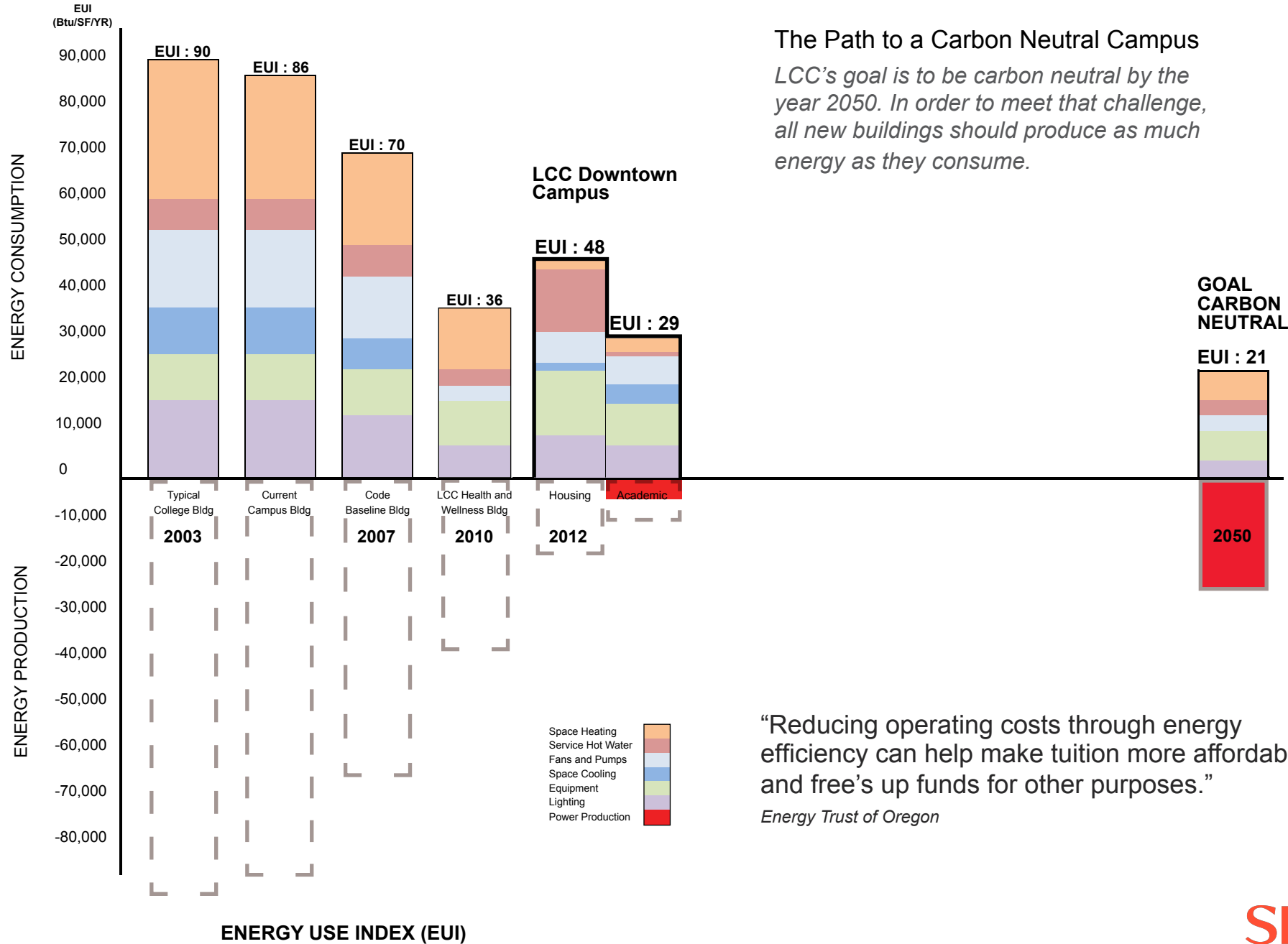
- Peer-to-Peer
- Inservice
- Student involvement.

#### **4. Sustainability Plan**

Claudia reviewed the status of the Sustainability Plan. Committee discussed how sustainability plan fits into the big picture of sustainability planning, goals, and priority projects for Lane. Brian explained that the sustainability plan will be a framework and a guide for everything else. Darlene questioned current organization scheme of Sustainability Plan noting that everything is connected so it seems awkward to have headings for Education, Ecological, Social, and Economic. Committee members may review the current draft plan here:

<http://www2.lanecc.edu/sites/default/files/sustainability/sustainabilityplandraft120906.pdf> .

# WHY IT MATTERS



## The Path to a Carbon Neutral Campus

*LCC's goal is to be carbon neutral by the year 2050. In order to meet that challenge, all new buildings should produce as much energy as they consume.*

*"Reducing operating costs through energy efficiency can help make tuition more affordable and free's up funds for other purposes."*

*Energy Trust of Oregon*