

Sustainability Committee
Wednesday, October 22, 2014, Building 16, Room 226

Notes

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Darlene Colborn, Facilities Management and Planning
- Jennifer Hayward, Institute for Sustainable Practices
- Patty Hine, High School Connections
- Brian Kelly, College Services
- Pamela McGilvray, Disability Resources
- Claudia Owen, Science
- Margaret Robertson, Advanced Technology
- Anna Scott, Institute for Sustainable Practices
- Wendy Simmons, Wellness

2. Updates and Announcements:

- *Faculty Interest Group:* Claudia announced that she has gathered some input from several people and has started filling out the application. The purpose of the FIG is to develop ideas for professional development for faculty. Anna suggested putting a call for participation in the Weekly.
- *Beyond Toxics/UO Guest Lecturer, Tyrone Hayes:* Jennifer announced that Tyrone Hayes, a renowned Integrative Biology professor at University of California, Berkeley, will be speaking at both the UO and City Club on Friday, October 24. The lectures are about the effects of pesticides on humans and other animals. For example, one of his lectures is titled, "Nature in Doubt: Intersex in a Chemical Era." For more information: <http://www.beyondtoxics.org/tyronehayes/>.
- *EcoChallenge:* Jennifer reported that the EcoChallenge is in full swing. She asked people to reach out to those whom they recruited and remind them to report their progress.
- *National Science Foundation (NSF) Science Technology Engineering Math (STEM) Community College Innovation Challenge:* Claudia reported that the NSF put out a challenge for teams of community college students and instructors to develop innovative STEM-based solutions for real-world problems including those related to sustainability. Submissions are due January 15, 2015. Committee briefly brainstormed areas in which Lane might want to consider participating including Auto/Diesel, CIT, and the Learning Garden. It was noted that it is likely too late to get a team together and develop an innovative solution for this year, but we may want to consider for next year.
- *Energy and Water Use Behavior Change Program:* Anna said that she is planning a promotional campaign to inspire behavior change for energy and water conservation and to inform people about Lane's on-site renewable energy resources. Anna noted that she wants the campaign to have a sense of urgency and excitement and she asked the committee for suggestions. Claudia and Jennifer will put this on the agenda for a future meeting.
- *Disruption:* Anna reported that she recently came across an inspirational video by and for the climate movement called *Disruption*. It is free to watch online at: <http://watchdisruption.com>.
- *350EUG:* Patty reported that she attended the People's Climate March in New York City in September along with 400,000 other people. 350EUG is trying to leverage energy from this march and they now have the following four campaigns:
 - Carbon Pricing
 - Our Children's Trust (teens suing the federal government for not protecting their future)
 - Divestment
 - NW Fossil Fuel Resistance

Patty passed out a ¼ page sheet about ways to get involved which is included at the end of these minutes.

3. Oregon Higher Education Sustainability Conference Programming Committee

Jennifer distributed a draft Oregon Higher Education Sustainability Conference (OHESC) Programming Committee outline and asked if Sustainability Committee members would like to participate on the OHESC Programming Committee. Wendy volunteered. Jennifer asked Committee members to help recruit student participants. The OHESC 2016 – Programming Committee Proposal is included at the end of the minutes.

4. Review Survey Results. Determine Projects for the year.

Jennifer presented the results of the survey about the Sustainability Committee that members took last spring. The presentation is included at the end of this e-mail. One of the questions in the survey was “what project(s) do you want to work on for 2014-2015. The top three responses were:

- Transportation related projects – 18 points
- Sustainability literacy/professional development – 9 points
- Sweatshop free/sustainable purchasing – 9 points.

The Committee discussed the presentation, the proposed projects and priorities. General comments included:

- Have one representative from each department on the Committee.
- Recruit more members via the Lane Weekly.
- Outreach events *DO* have a lasting effect.
- Recruit members who work in Lane’s green buildings (Buildings 30 and 61).
- Meet in green buildings occasionally.

Regarding the projects for the year, the Committee decided to focus on the top three projects and to start with Transportation related projects. Ideas for moving forward with transportation projects included:

- Campaigns regarding carpooling, bussing, and biking.
- Have more bike and walk to campus events (“Walking Wednesdays,” “Transportation Tuesdays”)
- Develop a transportation demand management plan.
- Have a bike commute board so that bicyclists can find riding partners.
- Implement a “slug line” like on the east coast which is basically a combo park-n-ride/carpool system where people park and get rides from others.
- Remove parking lots. Reclaim gravel lot and plant trees.



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Change the Course

is an invitation to the climate movement to dig deep and think hard about what it would actually take to stabilize the climate and turn our collective ship around. Together, we'll crowdsource a vision of what a just transition to a stable climate actually looks like—and what we need to do to get there.

Please join us at the upcoming **Climate Leadership Summits** to kick this project off. These 2-day events will bring communities together for an innovative visioning, strategic development and skills summit. We will strengthen and grow local groups and prepare our movement to take action together.

Earth Lovers and Climate Heroes,
We're fired up to build on the energy from the
People's Climate March!

350 Eugene Fall Meet-up

350 is the safe upper limit of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, measured in parts per million, above which the planet is in a state of climate crisis. Our work is to reduce dangerous carbon emissions by building a grassroots movement, moving away from fossil fuels and harmful land use practices, and helping jump-start a clean energy economy—and in the process, transforming our world into a livable, joyful and just place.

Chapter Action Campaigns

Divestment initiatives
Carbon Pricing state legislation
NW Fossil Fuel Resistance
Our Children's Trust litigation support

Help fund 350EUG's work: donate at our matching grant:
<http://www.heliosnetwork.org>

*March with NoIndustrialPisgah & 350EUG – march to Springfield City Hall from Island Park– show 350EUG colors
*Join Our Children's Trust & 350EUG @Mt. Pisgah's Mushroom Fest. – Celebrating Success Oct. 26 - 10 – 5pm

Building a joyful, effective movement! In resistance, resilience, and love!

<http://world.350.org/Eugene>
FB: <https://www.facebook.com/350EUG>

OHESC 2016 – Programming Committee Proposal

Programming Committee Tasks:

1. Determine goals
2. Determine theme
3. Determine keynote
4. Determine student summit program
5. Criteria for selecting breakout sessions
6. Determine Method/criteria for selecting next host institution
7. Provide input on tours
8. Provide input on conference schedule
9. Review and select breakout sessions

Programming Committee Members:

- LCC Reps – 3 to 5
- Other Community College Reps – 1 to 2
- OUS Rep – 3 to 5
- Private Rep – 2 to 4

Reps need to include a mix of students, faculty, and sustainability professionals.

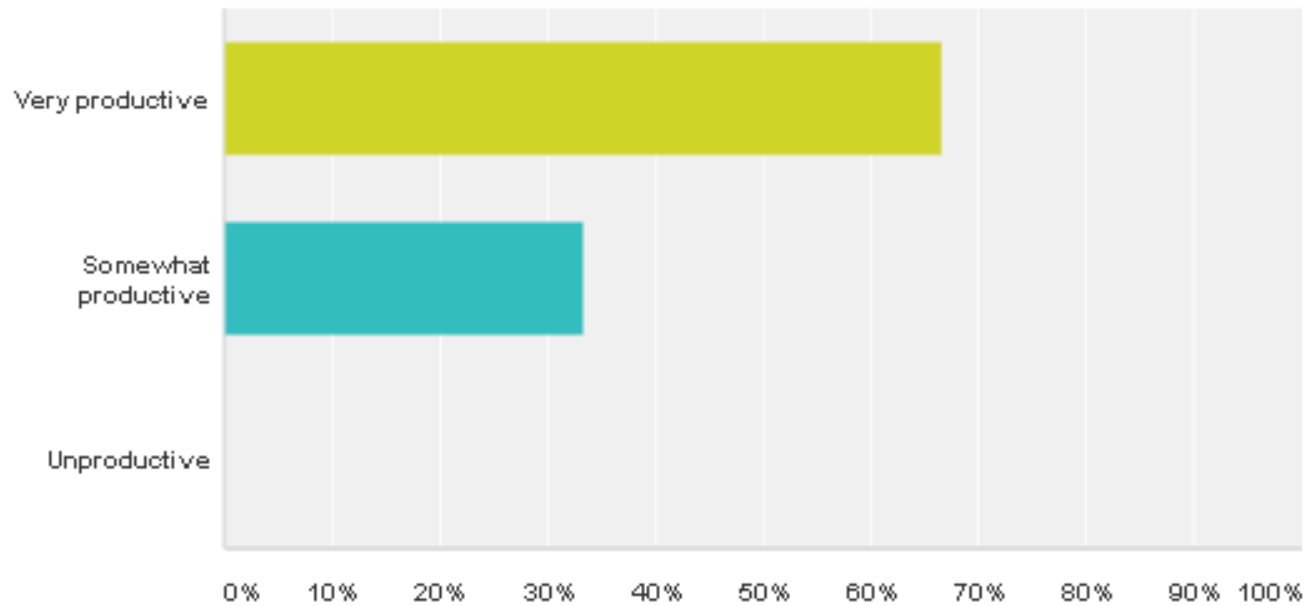
Proposed Timeline:

- November 2014 Conference Call, 2 hours
 - Agenda:
 - Review Programming Committee Task List
 - Confirm or modify
 - Determine goals for conference (i.e. Do we want to ensure more attendees who are students? Faculty? Administrators? Do we focus more on social justice? Curriculum infusion? Etc.)
 - Brainstorm Conference Themes
 - Brainstorm Keynote Speakers
- December 2014 Conference Call, 1.5 hours
 - Agenda:
 - Determine Conference Theme
 - Select 1st, 2nd, and 3rd priority keynote speakers
 - Determine goals for student summit
- January 2015 Conference Call, 1.5 hours
 - Agenda:
 - Outline student summit program
 - Brainstorm criteria for breakout session selection
- February 2015 Conference Call, 1.5 hours

- Agenda:
 - Finalize criteria for breakout session selection
 - Determine method for selecting next conference host
- March 2015 Conference Call, 1.5 hours
 - Agenda:
 - Review proposed conference schedule
 - Review proposed tours
- October 2015 Conference Call, 1 hours
 - Agenda:
 - Confirm method of reviewing/scoring breakout session proposals. Divide up work of reviewing proposals, if appropriate.
- November 2015 Conference Call, 2 hours
 - Agenda:
 - Select breakout sessions
 - Discuss any last minute details

In your opinion, how productive is the Sustainability Committee?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 0




Answer Choices ▾	Responses ▾	
▾ Very productive	66.67%	6
▾ Somewhat productive	33.33%	3
▾ Unproductive	0.00%	0
Total		9

WHAT SUGGESTIONS DO YOU HAVE FOR IMPROVING THE PRODUCTIVITY OF THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE?

Committee Operation:

- Forming more subcommittees to get things done
- Starting projects earlier to make sure they are successful
- Creating a committee that is less fluid
- Call members who stopped attending to bring them back into the loop or check on why they dropped out

Types of Projects:

- Offer the alternative of some big picture projects to work on
 - Projects that have longer-lasting changes than outreach events.
 - More outreach activities
 - Figure out how to get more participation in activities
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REGARDING MEETING OPERATION, WHAT HAS WORKED WELL AND WHAT ARE YOUR SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Positive:

- Agendas good
- Participation good
- Prompt and engaged leaders
- Works great

Things to Improve:

- **Agenda**
 - Stick to agenda and schedule
 - Plan agenda more carefully because we often run out of time for everything
 - Prefer it when we take an idea to completion instead of talking about a lot of different ideas.
- **Participation**
 - Make sure that all the ideas from the meeting don't get put on Jennifer to do

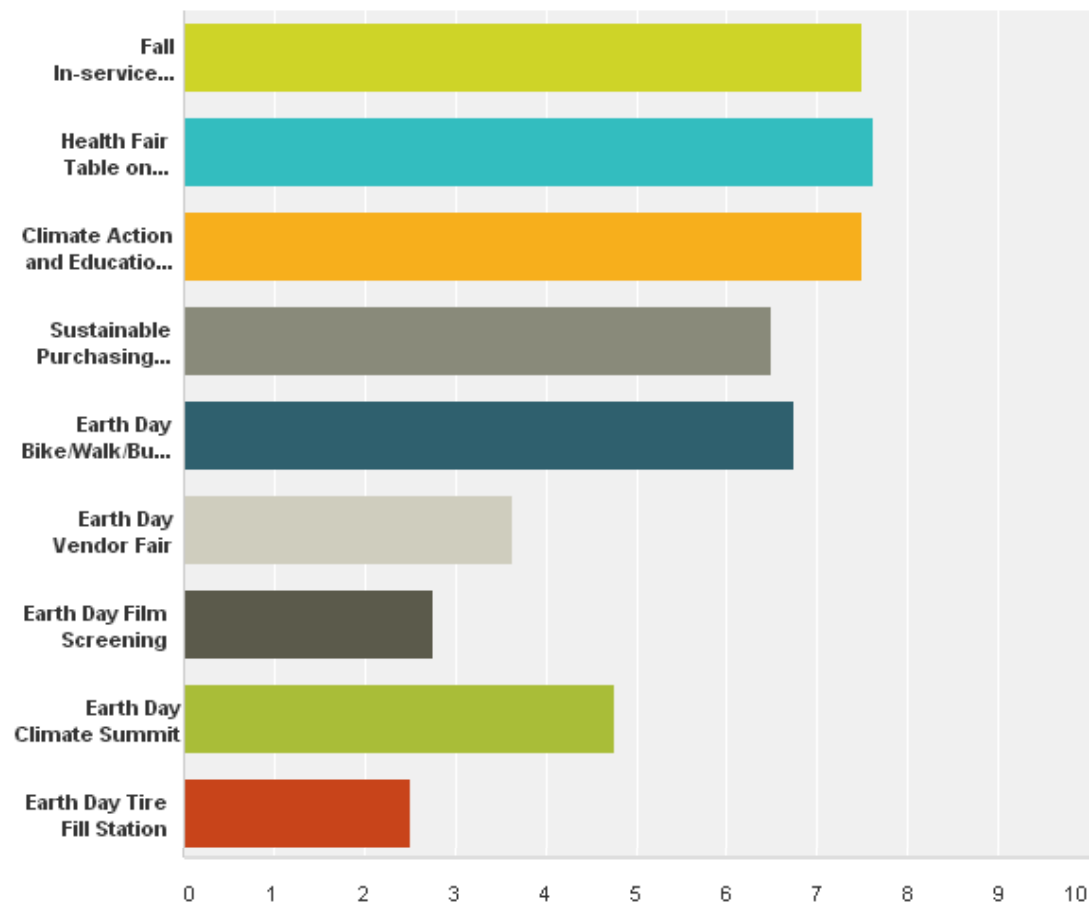


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**In your opinion, which 2013-14
Sustainability Committee projects were the
most successful? Please rank your top 3
choices.**

Answered: 8 Skipped: 1





PROJECTS FOR 2014-2015 – CATEGORIES

Transportation Related Projects = 18 points

Points*	Project Description
4	Bus pass for employees
3	Bike infrastructure to and at campus
3	Charge for parking (with tuition reduction or other fee reductions to help offset the cost)
2	Tire Fill Station - Earth Day
2	Transportation demand management program
2	Organize mini conference with cities, counties, etc. with regard to transportation
1	Continue working with LTD to identify timelines for updates to Glenwood EmX
1	Encourage greater bus use

Literacy/Professional Development = 9 points

Points*	Project Description
3	Increase sustainability literacy among students and employees
3	Professional development for faculty/staff to promote incorporation and understanding of sustainability in all phases of the curriculum and the work of the college.
2	Develop and begin implementation of a plan that will result in every student at Lane having exposure to sustainability concepts.
1	Really get going on education in an inspiring way; use peace center as a model.

Sweatshop Free/Sustainable Purchasing = 9 points

Green Office = 5 points

Bottled Water = 5 points

Wetlands/Sewage Lagoons Redesign and Restoration = 3 points