Lane Community College Sustainability Strategic Directions Conference October 14, 2011

<u>What I am doing</u>

Building & Operations

- Dave Willis: Sustainable Building Design Standards, Sustainable energy/utilities, sustainable maintenance practices, procedures.
- Recycling, reduce trips by car, reuse butter tubs instead of ziplock bags.
- Recycling office paper.
- Eliminating printing of invoices/receipts during billing process.
- Developing sustainable systems for printed output paper cut coming winter term!
- Let's celebrate garden to table food production happening here! =) yea
- Actively working to reduce paper consumption (in my own work and in our program).
- Learning Garden.
- Sustainability Committee.
- New recycling centers. Creating 60 jobs for min wage workers. Composted 30 tons last year. More local food.
- Always use ROSE room and search recycled office furniture before buying anything.
- Use less paper. Encourage others to do the same.
- Recycle at home and at work.
- Catch and release while fishing.
- Reheat coffee to use the full pot.
- Enjoy meals from left-overs.
- Recycling paper for use in tutoring lab.
- Students in tutoring lab are recycling per the lab's instructions.
- Office products to be re-used to ROSE Room.
- There is so much recycling going on that the bins are overflowing. Good for us and our students!!!

Co-Curricular

- Get moving in the world, walking and looking at what is there. Notice things at a walking pace.
- Worked with students to retrofit almost all of the water faucets aerators to lower flow to save water.
- Student Life/ASLCC: Students initiated learning garden.
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 ASLCC is active in state and national organizations, Oregon Student Association, United States Student Association, Oregon Community College Student Association. ASLCC students in Washington as part of USSA lobbying effort.
 - Lobby for systemic change.
- Student life/ASLCC: Students were first to push for recycling on campus beginning in '80's
- ASLCC fee programs support:

- o OSPIRG
- o Learning Garden
- o Green chemistry club.

Community Partnerships

- Working with local farms and manufacturers to purchase local as much as possible.
- Being an advocate for the arts.
- Being compassionate and caring everyday with everyone.
- Working in faith communities to promote robust education and response.
- Promote composting and use of compostables in our office and program events.
- Take the bus daily. Attempt to ride bike/walk to many errands and appointments.
- Working with local, regional and global communities on sustainability solutions and action.

Continuing Education

- A toy/clothing exchange.
- Classes for community member on sustainability.
- Witnessing in my work group a sustainable life style.

Curricula

- Teach classes and work with students to understand systems of oppression and challenge students to develop strategies and actions for change. (MCC Faculty (Greg Evans, James Garcia, James Florendo)
- Teach climate change
- Empowering students through student success (on course) infusions.
- Educating on sustainability
- Building self-efficacy
- Building critical mass
- Teaching critical thinking skills
- Teaching students to work in groups
- Reducing carbon footprints
- Bringing up change agents
- Teaching head and heart skills
- Women in Transitions program creates positive change for women, improves economic conditions for families and improves community.
- Designated space for single-sided printer paper to be re-used.
- Teach about being an agent of change.
- Teach about systems leadership
- Empower students to be the change.
- Integrate sustainability into my division
- Engaging GED and ABS students in real world problem solving.
- Teach how to effectively work in groups.
- Finding resources to support curriculum changes to current courses.

• Include civic engagement in ESL classes through our English/Language Civics classes (And we teach working in groups).

Mission and Planning

- Work on large scale planning Big picture.
- Community Learning Living Center.
- Sustainable business planning.
- Network with community programs with links to LCC clubs, etc.
- Keep the discussion beyond political labels of left/right, liberal/conservative. This is a bigger issue.
- Add sustainability to review process.
- Add sustainability professional development funds. Dedicate 20% to sustainability.
- Add Sustainability to interview questions.
- Work on college policies, directions, etc...

Purchasing

- Library champions of reuse!! Shaved resources, reduces consumption.
- More sustainable furnishing standards: long life, local, recycled content.
- Clive: Grow 100% of food in our restaurant lab.
- Creative resources! Bring recycled magazines to reading classes. Buy what we can from garage sales/goodwill, etc.

Workforce Development

• Integrating training and education for people with developmental disabilities with the sustainability goals of the college.