

Sustainability Fee Council Minutes

Meeting Title: February Sustainability		Date: 4/8/16	Time: 1:01 pm
Location: Herty 251	Committee: Sustainability Fee Council		Chair: Mutiti
Attendees: Sam Mutiti, Will Hobbs, Doug Oetter, Mark Causey, Lewis Steele, Emma Brodzik, Mary Plauche, Andrew Wright, Matthew Floyd, Kierra Brown, Taylor Upole, Ryan Greene, Mark Duclos, Donna Bennett, John Webb			Guests: None
Recorder: Will Hobbs		Recorder Email: will.hobbs@gcsu.edu	

Agenda Item: Approval of Agenda and minutes	Presenter: Mutiti
Discussion: Agenda: Steele motions, Brodzik seconded Minutes from January: Webb motions, Steele seconded	

Agenda Item: Budget Report	Presenter: Strawder
Discussion: Strawder reported current Foundation total: \$10,352.68.	
ACTION: None	

Agenda Item: Symposium	Presenter: Brodzik
Discussion: Met with Mass Comm student re: promotional materials – photos, posters, etc. Estimate of \$1000 for catering the reception. Providing some money to the ENSC Club for EarthFest as well as an honorarium for Dr. Tobias. Mutiti asked about a program schedule: Brodzik provided an overview.	
ACTION: None	

Agenda Item: ENSC Club Update	Presenter: Floyd
Discussion: EarthFest planned and budgeted with four different music groups and yoga sessions. Webb asked about promoting via Frontpage. Oetter reminded to make sure reservations are set and secure.	
ACTION: None	
Agenda Item: Gardening Club	Presenter: Wright
Discussion: Overview of current status. Recurring costs are an issue as well as general lack of awareness of the garden. Groeber asked about tabling during summer orientations. Mutiti suggested 1 st year Seminars as well.	
ACTION: None	

Agenda Item: Composting Project Update	Presenter: Wright
Discussion: Need training for Sodexo staff as well as two positions for transporting compost to the site. Mutiti noted the bins are already on campus (behind Herty Hall). Indoor bins are needed for the Max. Webb asked about logistics of transporting waste, suggesting a dry run to sort out issues before further purchases are made. Mutiti called for a compost meeting for week of April 11. Oetter suggested a harvest box for Dr. Dorman.	
ACTION: None	

Agenda Item: Sustainability Certificate	Presenter: Oetter
Discussion: Proposal has been put forward. Looking at the fall for approval.	
ACTION: None	

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Agenda Item: AASHE STARS 2.0 Report	Presenter: Oetter
Discussion: The GC report was submitted to Princeton and Sierra Club reviews; also submitted at the Bronze level to AASHE. Carbon output calculated: 10-20 million miles of student travel annually. Working to calculate faculty/staff travel over the summer.	
ACTION: None.	

Agenda Item: Projects	Presenter: Various
Air Quality: needs a student to coordinate. Garden: Soil testing proposal not good. Need to amend or a Garden II proposal. Recycling III: More containers needed for residence halls as well as larger containers in public areas. Recycling IV: More clarity of efforts at West Campus. Interior and Exterior bins placed, but too small to meet needs. Gray Water: In the presentation phase – GC Research conference and COPLAC Biodiesel: Design and testing phase. Solar at Herty: Walkthrough complete, awaiting full proposal. Three new projects coming from ODED environmental education class	
ACTION: None.	

Agenda Item: Announcements	Presenter: Strawder
Thanks from Dr. Mutiti for allowing him to serve as Chair. New Officers for FY17: Shea Groebner, Chair; Sustainability Fee Program Director, Emma Brodzik; Recorder, Will Hobbs.	
Duclos suggested setting proposal deadlines to facilitate expedited review. No discussion.	
ACTION: Send nominations for officers to Strawder ASAP.	

Meeting adjourned 2:00 pm.