

Sustainability Group

10/23 Meeting minutes

Minutes approved from previous meeting

Budget Report

Budget- foundation accumulated \$8500

Sustainability fee may fluctuate- \$176,553 in reserves (already committed to projects)

New student fees for the academic year - \$63,800

Proposal Updates

Six projects are currently underway

- Irwin st. lights- This project has been completed, but labor costs still not paid
- Recycling III- clarification needed with Dr. Doug Oetter
- Greywater- approved and in progress
- Recycling IV- approved but not yet funded
- Compost- concrete has been poured and the composter is currently being purchased

After these project are fully funded, only \$30,000 will be left for rest of year

Ms. Lori Strawder/ Dr. Sam Mutiti proposed setting aside \$10,000 for the symposium (approved by the committee)

This leaves \$20,000 for the rest of the year; therefore, the sustainability group must be very selective in approving future proposals

Garden- workdays are regular, 15 plots have been created and 12 have already been planted. The committee recommended that the gardening club should post an announcement on Front page that plots are available.

Symposium

- A symposium sub-committee was formed – composed of student members
 - Emma Brodzik is the new leader of the symposium subcommittee
 - Other members- Lewis Steele, Mary Plauche, Taylor Upole
- David Orr recommended speaker
- Urban redevelopment was recommended of the theme for the 2016 symposium
- The committee suggested that we contact the Central State redevelopment authority for panelists

New proposals

BFU application- Decision will be soon be made

Bike master plan- city asked GCSU and GMC and CGTC to partner with Stanch to create new bike master plan.

Solar charging table- not ready, Emma explained proposal, discussed placement, 2 outlets & 2 USB ports

- Discussed alternatives to the umbrellas (more research to be done)

Reimburse Susan Daniels \$50 for snacks for students?

- Decided against this as it doesn't directly increase sustainability but recommended that she gets reimbursed from the gardening club's operational budget

Ms. Lori Strawder edited the draft bylaws for the reorganization - sent out Tuesday, Nov. 10th

Juawn once again voiced concerns about attendance at meeting being mostly faculty

Roster of members shows majority students

Savannah Ugan gave a review of campus sustainability and food day events

Went well but technical difficulties affected the movie

Mark Causey gauged interest of movie screening of "This Changes Everything"

Committee voted to approve the funding of \$350 to buy the rights to one hard copy DVD (pre-screen copy)