

SIU Sustainability Council
3 May, 2012
8:00 a.m. CEHS Conference Room
Minutes

Meeting called to order at 8:07 a.m.

Members Present: Makayla Trotter, Matt Therrell, Erin Seekamp, Chef Bill, Bunny LeBaron, Jonny Gray, Lori Barrow, Justin Harrell

1. Minutes will be approved by email
2. Committee Reports
 - a. GFC: Review of projects funded this semester (round 6). See attached spreadsheet
 - i. Presentation of the reasons for rejecting the Forced Aeration Compost facility. See attached rejection letter for summary of points discussed.
 1. Suggestions from J. Harrell include seeking further input from applicants with promising projects, _____.
 2. Information that PSO's contribution is contingent up on FY 12 funds gives rise to conversation about ways to make the proposal acceptable
 3. The GFC will consider a new proposal within this FY.
 - b. Lori Barrow will be taking over as GFC Chair.
3. Old Business
 - a. Sustainability Coordinator candidate feedback. At this time, 3 of the 4 candidates have been interviewed.
 - i. Johanna Haas: Council unimpressed with this candidate. Specifically: her lack of knowledge of AASHE, lack of experience finding funding, denied tenure yet lobbied for an adjunct position, lack of concentration and energy.
 - ii. Katherine Hellgren: Council feels good about this candidate. Specifically: Motivated, energetic, personable, good focus on students, good strategy for working on both short and long term projects.
 - iii. John Brophy: Council concerned that, while he brings some good experience to the job – getting money, grass roots organization – his communication style is condescending and abrasive, and he doesn't seem to understand the parameters of the job.
 - b. Earth Week
 - i. We got a little over 500 pledges
 - ii. The Scavenger Hunt got rained out, so the prizes will be awarded to random pledges.
 - iii. The first Spring Social went very well: Over 30 people attended; Megan Pulliam gave a wonderful speech; The final brainstorming exercise has given us lots of good ideas for next year's Social Marketing units.
 - c. Student Travel Requests
 - i. Makayla Trotter and Will Sutphin request \$931.39 for travelling to the Illinois Recycling Association Joint Conference in Rockford, IL from June 4 – 6th. Vote: Unanimous approval.

- d. New Member Selection
 - i. Discussion of the applicants for student, faculty, and staff members.
 - ii. In addition to the three new members planned, we will choose an additional faculty member since Erin Seekamp has taken a job in Raleigh, NC.
 - iii. Student Member: Sterling Jackson (7 votes)
 - iv. Staff Member: Corne Prozesky (6 votes)
 - v. Craig Anz (5 votes)
 - vi. Steve Belletire (5 votes)
- e. 2012/2014 SC chair
 - i. Makayla Trotter nominated by Matt Therrell. Nomination accepted.
 - ii. Vote: Unanimous approval
 - iii. Vote will be reconfirmed at the first meeting of the Council in the Fall semester.
 - iv. Other
 - 1. Changes to operating papers presented by B. LeBaron and P. Restivo. Will be compiled and put forward to incoming council as suggestions.
 - 2. Use of Basecamp as our project management software.
 - a. \$20/mo.
 - b. Vote: Unanimous approval, to be reevaluated in 6 mo.
 - 3. Pinterest account to be used for brainstorming. Login with siusustainabilitycouncil@gmail.com, password is council1.
 - 4. As we look down the line, continue to aim for a sustainability center

Meeting adjourned at 10:15.