

SIUC Sustainability Council
Monthly Business Meeting Agenda
Friday, February 19, 2016

1. Call to Order
Begin 12:02 P.M.
2. Attendance
Absent: Karen
Welcomed visitors: Betsy Bishop, Kayla Newsome, Derick Chick
3. Approval of Minutes
Leslie moves to approves. J.D. seconds. **Unanimous.**
4. Green Fee account (10 min)
 - a. Committee update - Cami
 - i. meeting schedule
Set by morning of March 2nd
 - ii. total number of proposals submitted to date
3 proposals to date.
 - iii. question about student observation (GK)
Green Fund committee meetings are closed.
 - b. Review open Green Fund Projects status list – Kayla
Kayla is working on organizing and following-up on past projects (open projects, extensions). This review is only of funds already allocated.
GF proposals which include a GA usually go past the deadline to close a project.
Leslie: Her GA will not be fully paid for until the end of Summer 2016, this was stated in the proposal. JD in a similar situation with his GA.
 - c. Extension requests – none
 - d. Balance update – Geory

\$257,709 unallocated
 - e. AASHE Membership – Geory

Leslie moves to pay annual AASHE Membership out of Green Fund. Deb seconds.
Unanimous.
(10 mins.)
5. Unfinished Business (25 min)
 - a. Items voted on over email by SC since last meeting - none
 - b. Innovation and Sustainability Hub - Geory
 - i. Update
Hoping to have soft opening of new space the week after Spring Break.
Derick and Dominique Crespo have been involved in collaboration talks. Tao

has worked on design of the space. Tao's Design Process class working on signage for office. Whiteboard wall for students to leave notes.

"Ideal" office space: Recycling bins, compost bin to contribute to Student Center compost.

Plant tower/hanging flowers

Wooden (tree) podiums for displays

Vicki: Use this office to begin to brand SIU as sustainable

Jerrica: "What are you doing on campus that is sustainable?"

ii. budget allotment request

Putting together a budget for the Chancellor.

J.D.: Council agreed to help Sustainability Office with GA's, this space is just as important for moving sustainability forward at SIU. No different than any Green Fund project.

Quote for LED lighting: \$4,500. Nothing for paint yet.

Deb moves to authorize a beginning budget of \$15,000 for the hub space.

Jerrica seconds. **Unanimous.**

(35 mins.)

6. New Business (30 min)

a. Strategic Council Initiatives Discussion (15 min)

i. Sustainability Award/Recognition Program (formal vs. informal, get caught green handed, blue mind marble, "seeing sustainability" – SIU notepad)

Environmental Ambassador Award possibly change to Sustainability Ambassador Award. Only known award on campus for sustainability.

Allyssa: How would we promote?

Allyssa and Vicki: Money and food are big for students. Or something visible to everyone.

Leslie: Office should, to start, pick those who we know are doing big things in sustainability, rather than how the application looks.

J.D.: Community partners for rewards to faculty & staff, rather than money.

Vicki: Award winners on the Sustainability website.

Jerrica: Adapt the library's "Shout-out" program.

ii. Recognition/thank you event – Cami (5 min)

Event at the end of the semester for everyone involved in sustainability (volunteers, faculty, departments, etc.)

b. Publicizing green fund projects discussion – Allyssa (5 min)

Scavenger hunt of Green Fund projects. Markers with information on what the projects do. Creates more Green Fund awareness.

c. Princeton Review/STARS – Derick (5-10 min)

Princeton Review – Feb. 29th, 2016

Sierra Magazine – March 22, 2016

STARS Review due November 2016. Last filed November 2013

In progress of improving Princeton Review, many more completed categories.

Sierra Magazines uses scores, similar to AASHE STARS.

Possibly have data of our progress in the hub.

Geory: Propose new ideas at the end of the semester for assessments.
(25 mins.)

7. Sustainability Office updates (10 min)

a. Communications report – Jerrica

Publicizing Green Fund projects, updating website, sustainable survey on D2L.

Geory: Survey also serves as an educational tool.

Green Fund flyer is present at Rec Center, Library, Housing, and listserv. Printed out flyers will be posted in different areas by students interested in sustainability.

Weekly “Get to know us” update on Facebook so people can see what the Office does.

Geory: Next newsletter will be given out to other listservs for awareness.

Asking departments what they are doing regarding sustainability on campus.

Stories about Green Fund projects are in the works to be posted on social media and the website.

37 students attended Career Closet. Rest of donations were sent to year-round professional Career Closet.

Film Series, Newsletters, and Toner/Ink re-use process in progress.

Social Media is reaching out to many more people.

Cami is working on Farm To Fork Dinner and working with Going Green LLC.

Geory & J.D. are collaborating in Saluki Service Days April 13-19.

Completed 2 Green Fund workshops.

Tree Campus U.S.A. designation received by SIU.

Working on recycling bin placement & signage.

Promoting Freecycle event with SENSE, Keep Carbondale Beautiful, & Gaia House.

Green Office, Zero Waste long-term plans in works.

1. Follow us on social media!

(14 mins.)

8. Adjourn

a. Next meeting: March 4, noon-1:30

b. Other scheduled meetings: April 8, May 6 (noon-1:30)

Deb moves to adjourn. Tao seconds. **Unanimous.**

Ends 1:32 P.M.