

SIUC Sustainability Council  
Monthly Business Meeting Agenda  
Friday, April 8 2016

1. Call to Order  
**Begin 12:03**
2. Attendance  
Tao, Leslie, Karen
3. Approval of Minutes
  - a. March 4, 2016  
**Cami moves to approve the minutes. Vicki seconds. Unanimous.**
4. Green Fee account (Geory, 10 min)
  - a. Balance update \$256,383.78
  - b. Review open Green Fund Projects list (Geory or Kayla)
    - i. Green Fund Round 6 (Spring 2012), project 41212 Carbondale Bike/Pedestrian Path \$66466 on hold (see addendum below)
    - ii. Do we need to vote when green fee awardees want to re-allocate funds? At a certain level?
      1. LOGIC - \$1690 leftover after paying GA through August 9, 2016.
      2. They requested to use some of the extra money for supplies. GK okay'd this.
      3. They requested to put the money into a student worker.
        - a. \$1690 was from the GA line.
        - b. Request is \$625 for the worker, leaving the remaining \$1,065 for supplies

Deb: Have a set minimum/maximum amount for Geory to approve.  
Vicki: Have a percentage to better balance varying grant amounts.  
J.D.: Anything below \$2,000-\$2,500 can be approved by Geory, without Council vote.  
**J.D. motions to allow Geory approve re-allocations below \$2,500. Deb seconds. Unanimous. 9 mins.**
5. Green Fund Committee report (Cami, 30 min)
  - a. Recommended proposals report  
Total of 37 proposals.  
**Jerrica motions to approve Green Fund allocation. Deb seconds. J.D. abstains. Unanimous.**
  - b. Extension/other requests – 14FA111: Gaia House RSO Building Trails  
Extend until Aug. 5, 2016.  
**Deb moves to approve 14FA111 extension. J.D. seconds. Unanimous.**
  - c. Rubric and application edits  
Complete, along with final reports, by GF reveal.
  - d. GF Reveal – April 22, 12:30 pm (tentative)  
In Student Services Building.  
**38 mins.**
6. Unfinished Business (20 min)
  - a. Items voted on over email by SC since last meeting - none
  - b. Strategic Council Initiatives Discussion (updates)
    - i. Sustainability Award/Recognition Program

1. Recognition to take place on May 2 at 4 pm (Civic Engagement and Sustainability Awards)  
Combine Civic Engagement and Sustainability Award. Ceremony in Ballroom A in the Student Center.
- ii. Data (Derick, 10 minutes)
  1. Update progress: Sierra Cool Schools, AASHE stars  
Princeton review will be out next year. Sierra Cool Schools results will be a guideline to improve for the future.
  2. AASHE stars: Academic Courses Credit  
Most Silver rated schools are the same size as SIU.
    - a. Methodology/Phases  
Identify sustainable “keywords”, recruit volunteers, propose keywords to search in course catalog.
    - b. Review/approval of terminology  
Advised by Sustainability Council.
- c. Budget for next fiscal year
  - i. GK originally thought this would be necessary by today, based on the green fee allocation, but that was not accurate.
  - ii. Will be presented at next meeting.
    1. FY16 total fees paid by students so far: \$249,725.29  
\$224,754 expected budget.

**21 mins.**
7. New Business (10 min)
  - a. Summer schedule/expectations – What is the norm?  
No summer meetings. Email conversation/voting if something arises.
  - b. Council Membership for next year - There is no specification of term limits in operating papers, what is the precedent?
    - i. Members with terms ending, terms continuing, completing someone else’s term  
Cami finishing term (graduating), Deb, Vicki, Tao, J.D., Leslie finishing 1<sup>st</sup> term, Alyssa finishing replacement term.
    - ii. Do we solicit student applicants in the summer or fall?  
Students have one year terms. Up for applying/re-applying.
    - iii. When do we solicit faculty/staff applicants?  
Ends in May. Vote on new members via email over the summer.
  - c. Next year’s calendar  
**10 mins.**
8. Sustainability Office updates (10 min)
 

100+ people attended HUB soft opening. Working on green space for flower pots.  
Geory to facilitate campus pantry that is opening.  
103/300 volunteer slots filled for Saluki Service Days.  
Looking at Housing Move-Out. Re-allocate pieces to students first. S.E.N.S.E to volunteer with move-out and look at a temporary sale for students in the fall.  
Students concerned about sustainable aspects of new housing.  
18 attendees of Urbanized, last presentation of Saluki Film Series 2016.  
Reaching out to building maintenance to teach sustainable habits.  
Farm to Fork, April 26<sup>th</sup>.  
**10 mins.**
9. Adjourn
  - a. Next meeting: May 6, noon
  - b. Other scheduled meetings: (All meetings are scheduled for 90 minutes.)

**Deb moves to adjourn. J.D. seconds. Unanimous.**

**Ends 1:20 P.M.**

Addendum:

- Green Fund Round 6 (Spring 2012), project 41212 Carbondale Bike/Pedestrian Path \$66466 on hold
  - Updated info from Chris Wallace: The contractor was selected on March 5 (2016) and construction on Phase One is expected to begin in May with the project being completed in August, maybe sooner.
  - From last update:
    - *In February 2013, the City received an Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Grant from the State of Illinois to construct Phase One of a new bicycle/pedestrian bike. The path will be located on the east side of the railroad tracks and will run from Mill Street to Main Street.*
    - *The path will include an eight feet wide concrete surface with decorative lighting and other amenities. In addition to the ITEP grant, the Sustainability Council awarded money to assist in the construction.*
    - *The Green Fund allocation will cover that portion of the path located adjacent to The Glove on the corner of College and Washington Street. We also have plans to install a bike rack and a bike fix-it station along the path behind The Glove for use by students and other users of the path.*
    - *The City has received funding to construct Phase Two of the path which will extend from Mill Street to Grand Avenue and tie into the existing pedestrian overpass over Illinois Avenue. Our plan is to utilize the existing crosswalk at the Recreation Center to allow safe crossings of Grand Avenue. Our hope is that once completed, students and others living along the Grand Avenue corridor will have a safe alternative to travel into the downtown, without having to interact with vehicles and other obstacles. Overall we think the path will reinforce the City's commitment to being a Bike Friendly Community and will provide a positive image for the community.*