

SIUC Sustainability Council  
Monthly Business Meeting Agenda  
Thursday, January 19, 2017

1. Call to Order  
**10:03 AM**
2. Attendance  
Absent: Deb
3. Approval of Minutes: 11/16 meeting  
Leslie moves to approve. Shannon seconds. **Unanimous.**
4. Green Fee account (Geory)
  - a. Balance update: \$216,957.93.2 of the \$212,266.50 (budgeted) GF dollars have come in. \$60,768.78 is un-allocated.
  - b. GF budget adjustments under \$2500 – none
  - c. GF budget adjustments over \$2500 – none**5 mins**
5. Green Fund Committee report (Green Fund Committee Chair: Amanda Marshall)
  - a. Committee – set meeting schedule for semester
  - b. Review open Green Fund Projects list
    - i. Shannon: Could we use the “round 10 bike repair project’s” excess money to fix current bike repair stations?
    - ii. Geory: How can we fund maintaining green fund projects?
  - c. Final reports received
  - d. Extension requests – none
  - e. Other requests – none
  - f. Reminder of deadline and Press release (GK)
    - i. March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline for green fund projects
    - ii. Press release in progress
  - g. Proposed Green Fund workshop dates (GK)
    - i. Wednesday, February 8 at noon and Monday, February 13 at 5 pm**10 mins**
6. STARS update
  - a. Review STARS submission status and feedback
  - b. Recommendations for Chancellor
    - i. Karen: First highlight our strengths?
    - ii. Leslie: Focus and celebrate our STARS silver award for a long time, then work on the recommendations.
    - iii. Sally: Weigh the point values to focus on aspects that will gain us the most points and be the most effective to the university.
    - iv. Geory: Resend STARS review instructions and past council groupings. Groups will look over their assigned section and assess which points will be most useful to pursue. Maybe get one small committee to assess these aspects for recommendations.
    - v. Tao: Is this timeline realistic? Should we be focused on “Band-Aid solutions” or get large fundamental changes at the university? The fundamental changes should be important and stressed.
    - vi. Shannon: We should balance money and time to decide if a project is worth pursuing and which ones will have the biggest impact on the university?
    - vii. Tao: The smaller committee can work on categorizing the recommendations, while individuals will brainstorm general recommendations.

- viii. Geory: Consensus, council members will review their STARS categories and make notes before the next council meeting on 2/9/17. A subcommittee will be created at the next council meeting.

**30 mins**

7. Other

- a. Finalize meeting dates for semester.
  - i. Finalized dates: Thursdays 10 am: February 9, March 2, April 13, May 4
- b. Strategy/Chancellor conversations (GK)
- c. Video update (Allyssa)- none
- d. White paper update
- e. Carbondale Sustainability Commission opening
- f. Earth Day

**15 mins**

8. Awards

- a. Discuss potential new awards– seeking someone to take the lead on developing these awards to roll out next year.
  - i. RSO and Fraternity/Sorority Life – Allyssa and Sally will look into some new ideas for developing awards.
  - ii. Others? (Green Laboratory initiative)
- b. Existing Awards (see new webpage)
  - i. Environmental Ambassador – new process was approved last year
  - ii. Sustainability Collaboration awards

**5 mins**

9. Sustainability Office updates (if time permits)

Shannon: Can biking be involved in the new student calendar?

**2 mins**

10. Adjourn

Sally moves to adjourn. Amanda seconds. Unanimous.

**11:06 AM**

Next meeting dates (if agreed upon today): Thursdays 10 am: February 9, March 2, April 13, May 4. All meetings will take place in Morris Library Room 752/754.

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