Green Campus Initiative Meeting Minutes-September 19th 2012

Location: Andruss Library Schweiker room

Time: 1:00 PM

Attendees: Jeff Brunskill, Tim Pelton, Kyle Nicholas, Eve Steransky, Claire Lawrence, Sarah Dodgin, Oren Helbok, Jennifer Whisner, Matt Hess, Morgen Hatton, Charles Fritz, Hernan Montellano

Minutes:

1. Jeff- Introductory Announcements
   - Attendee introductions

2. Morgan- Recycling Competition
   - Spoke of his idea of a recycling competition for greek life to participate in during big events such as homecoming and block party.
   - This project will be directed towards HOPE and greek life

3. Charles Fritz-Recycling Center Tour
   - Charles gave a talk about the Bloomsburg Recycling Center
   - He spoke of the recycling center always pushing for new projects to undertake
   - There needs to be a push towards rethinking and repurposing items
   - He talked about projects they are undertaking like more recycling at the Bloomsburg Fair and collecting more cans at football games
   - He told us more about the process of recycling plastics, such as separating plastics with a float tank, which separates items with different specific gravities
   - Clair asked if mixed recyclables have increased from the recycling bins project around campus and Charles said yes, it has
   - Matt and Charles will work on a data sheet to show increased recycling amounts

4. Jennifer-EGGS Website
   - This website will link together all environmental groups we have on campus and also local and regional groups
   - This will be a central website that will also link faculty with projects that are currently being worked on
   - This website will be a center for earth and environmental studies
   - It will be a new way to publish work on campus
   - It will hopefully be the website that is the first thing that appears in google.com when someone would search “Environment and Bloomsburg”
• Please contact Jennifer Whisner at jwhisner@bloomu.edu for website information

5. Oren and Claire- Fall Movie Series
• Tuesday October 23rd at 7PM? Will be the first movie shown for the series
• A moderator or speaker is yet to be determined for this movie
• The first movie will be “Green Fire” which is the story of Aldo Leopold

6. Jeff- James Hansen Talk
• Provost has yet to say anything about allowing funding to bring James Hansen to Bloomsburg University to talk
• The fees to bring James Hansen here would be around $10,000-$15,000
• The current plan is to write a new proposal to the provost for funding as an event
• Matt will help with this

7. Hernan- Bikes on Campus
• This semester is about fixing the current bike inventory so the program can be officially launched in the Spring semester
• There is lots of background work for this project
• Right now there are only two official bike mechanics
• There will be a Bike Fair in October, the current plan is to auction off 2 or 3 of the best bikes so the project will have some funding for itself
• They currently need tools so the bikes will be sold so they can purchase tools and parts for bikes
• Right now they currently need more adult bikes
• Hernan will send out an email

8. Jeff and Kyle- Farmers Market Update
• The farmers market is going well
• There will be a lecture this Friday at 12:00 p.m. behind the Student Service Center
• John Jaramillo MD will present his lecture “Why What You Eat May Determine Your Future”

9. Jeff- New Projects
• There are many people on the list and we should ask if they are interested in more projects we have going on
• We should get a baseline of who is interested in doing more work for the GCI
• It will be a way for people on the list to stay involved