

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
 - He directed us towards the <http://earth911.com/> link on the Bloomsburg, PA website: <http://bloomsburgpa.org/recycle.htm>
 - 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