

Environmental Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes of 23 Sept 2005

Present: Will Backe, Erika Bailey-Johnson, Tessa Haagenson, Wendy Larson, Rich Marsolek, Jessica Schaum, Steven Spigarelli, Patrick Welle, and two representatives from Otter Tail Power (John Faber and Scott Sigette)

Wendy Larson and Erika Bailey-Johnson, Co-Chairs, convening

1. Discussion of the E-Conference format:

Bill Maki's office has registered (and paid for) BSU to be a part of the third annual Campus Sustainability Day interactive e-conference entitled "A (recycled, of course) Six-Pack of Sustainability Lessons from the Past Year in Higher Education," sponsored by the Society for College and University Planning (SCUP). It takes place this October 26 (Wed.), 11:30 am - 1:30 pm our time, in an ITV room to be determined. For more information on the conference and its presenters, visit <http://www.scup.org/csd/3/index.html>.

- *the purchase of a CD-ROM in lieu of the live conference was agreed upon (Rich M. will inform Bill Maki's office)
- *date(s) and times will be discussed at the next meeting

2. Discussed briefly the meeting held with Bill Maki last week. He would like to meet with our group in October. He also wants the EAC to research the environmental reputations of the food service companies that replied to BSU's RFP.

- *will discuss the method of researching at the next meeting
- *a question was also brought up whether or not the contract language can be modified

3. The remainder of this meeting consisted of a presentation by John Faber, a representative for Otter Tail Power. John first reviewed turbine basics, turbine output variables, and turbine construction with a power point presentation. Questions were then fielded by EAC committee members, with a final focus on the \$1000 promotion offered by Otter Tail. Suggestions for Tessa, Will, and Jessica to bring to Students for the Environment include:

- *the Campus Sustainability Endowment (John seemed very interested in this and requested further information)
- *a public presentation of a plaque (that was a lot of p's!!) with Pres. Quistgaard
- *tent cards on the Union tables (e.g., number of trees saved by 616 blocks of wind power)

Promotional ideas with no cost:

- *community media would be alerted of this project by Al Nohner
- *an article would be prepared for the Northern Student
- *a wind tower on BSU's home page

Respectfully submitted
Erika Bailey-Johnson