

Environmental Advisory Committee
April 12th, 2013
11am to Noon, Ozawindib

Attendance:

Dave Bahr, Erika Bailey-Johnson, Laurie Desiderato, Lesa Lawrence, Rich Marsolek, Alexandra Miller, Chinwuba Okafor, Ashley Phoenix, Jill Stackhouse, Skylar Vold

Guest: Caitlin Schuchhardt

1. Sustainability Office Report (Erika)
 - a. Vermiculture: being moved on 2:30pm Sunday to new room (old locker room next to game cleaning room in Walnut Hall); new room will be heated, larger, and have a drain in the floor (YEAH!!)
 - b. ReRev: Problems with resistance and skipping on machines since October. Trying to fix it, but no one available in Midwest. Next step is to see if we can get our money back (Duane Biehn is working on this)
 - c. Jason Edens (RREAL and BSU alum) Keynote at Student Achievement Conference. Lots of good comments.
 - d. Festival of Nations: Maldives purchasing land in Australia, Free Trade booths.
 - e. Solar Transpired Air: RREAL up for technical inspection will be installed sometime this summer. Permanent display that explains solar transpired air.
 - f. Campus Garden: coming up soon!
 - g. GMO labeling: 2 MN laws at the capitol to label GMO foods. Group of students have Facebook page up and will lead the petition.
 - h. Sustainability Minor: Teaching Associate for UNIV 3910 or 4910 (Laurie), tagline
2. Students for the Environment Report (Alex)
 - a. New positions: Skylar Vold (VP), Amber Dorr(Secretary), Breanna Wanger (Treasurer)
 - b. EAC members moderate events if possible
3. MN Food Charter (Ashley), on Monday, April 29th, at 4:00 pm in HS 112
4. New position update (Erika)
 - a. Passes in Student Senate
 - b. Next step: funding. Seeking support from Residential Life and Student Union.
5. CAP Matrix-Rich (attached)
 - a. Part of Climate Action Plan, tracking system of all of our projects
 - b. New projects to be added: printing tracking, others?
 - i. send back to Erika projects that your department is doing
 - c. Email matrix to members
 - d. Track Elkay water bottle station numbers
6. Award program for people who have made big changes in steering our university in a green direction
 - a. Keynote speaker, Hall of Fame plaque type-of-thing
 - b. EAC selection committee
 - c. Have people nominate individuals who fit criteria
 - i. BSU alum or faculty, impact on this community or beyond