

Environmental Advisory Committee
December 10th, 2013
Noon to 1pm, Ozawindib

Attendance:

Erika Bailey-Johnson, Cynthia Floyd, Richard Marsolek, Alexandra Miller, Dylan Sievers

Guests:

Marie Bock, Sara Dennison, Caroline Norelius, Pat Welle

1. SFE Report (Alex)
 - a. The group started volunteering their time at the ReStore in exchange for art supplies for local artists. The art that they make will be auctioned off at their annual gala for donors. All proceeds will go to Habitat for Humanity.
 - b. Last meeting was held on December 3, 2013. They discussed details for Do It in the Dark and set their new meeting time for Wednesdays at 5pm in the Sustainability Office.
2. Sustainability Office Report (Erika)
 - a. The Holiday Farmer's Market was held on December 4, 2013 and was again a great success. Looking into having them come every month.
 - b. New position meeting went well. The position will be half-time and the next step is to create a position description.
 - c. White pine meeting went well, came up with 5 ideas, will use fac staff and Splash of the Week to get the word out and open it up to more ideas for the 5-16 ft. sections.
 - i. Ideas so far: Outdoor classroom, totem pole mural, 3D mural, cookies, counter top/tables.
 - d. Student Senate passed a bill in favor of limiting the sale of bottled water. More discussion later in this document.
 - e. Zip Car progress
 - i. Had a meeting with Winona and discovered that Zip Car waived the fees after the 2 year contract. Commuter survey will include questions about the rental program.
 - ii. Question was raised on what type of ID people; specifically international students would need to have. International ID?
3. Printing Update (Marie)
 - a. Will start to implement ways to reduce next semester. May have readers placed on printers so that it won't print your job until you actually walk up to it and scan your ID. Will help to reduce people leaving or forgetting jobs.
 - b. Found out that student printing is a small amount of the total paper use.
 - c. Sustainability Office will help educate and get the word out to people. It would also be helpful if Student Senate would pass a bill to limit printing.
 - d. Biggest Beaver awards to people who print the most. (ha!)
 - e. Create an EAC Statement of support?
4. Bottled Water

- a. Below is the Student Senate bill that was passed on Wednesday, Dec. 4th, 2013.
b. EAC Statement of support that reads:
The Environmental Advisory Committee supports and recommends to administration that they also support SB 14-04 to move toward removing the sale of bottled water as the bill states.

**Bemidji State University
Student Association Student Senate**

“Trust, Vision, Voice”

SB 14-04

Limited Bottled Water Sales on Campus

Moved By: Senator Nadeau

Seconded By: Senator Kennebeck

Whereas the Bemidji State University Student Association (BSUSA) Student Senate is the official voice of the students; and

Whereas one of Bemidji State University’s signature themes is Environmental Stewardship; and

Whereas the amount of plastic water bottle related litter is becoming a major concern on campus and in the community; and

Whereas this issue was brought forward by students from a People and the Environment class;

Therefore be it resolved that BSUSA Student Senate will support the movement toward no regular, unflavored, bottled water being sold on campus at Bucky’s Stop and Go in the Lower Union and The Lodge in Walnut Hall by the university.

First Reading: November 13, 2013

Discussion: November 20, 2013

Amendment:

Vote

Result:

Date: