

University Sustainability Committee – President’s Conference Room

2/18/2016 2:00 p.m.

In attendance:

Dr. James Bridgeforth
Dr. Kim Littlefield
Alexander Moylan
Dr. Glen Borchert
Dr. Douglas Marshall
Dr. Krista Harrell
Sara Boccardo

Victor Cohen
Todd Culp
Madison Tuttle (Sustainability Council rep)
Cecelia Martin
Jerry Purvis
Kelly Rushing

Campus Recycling Proposal

Dr. Bridgeforth then went into more detail about a proposal to plan a timeline for the campus to recycle on a larger scale (24 month plan, in 6 month increments), in addition to proposing one FT professional staff member and one GA to support that staff member.

SGA President Rajendra reiterated his point that the committee should include advertising, education, and advocacy into the long term plans for campus recycling

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initiatives will be sustainable long-term

Dr. Bridgeforth put forth that in the future advertising, and addressing the means of how the campus will be educated on recycling and other sustainability-driven initiatives, will likely be the responsibility of the FT staff member

Dr. Littlefield stated that recycling is a great theme, but there are different parts of it

- The committee may already be structured in a way to include advertising

Dr. Littlefield also inquired about the

- Dr. Bridgeforth stated that his goal is to have a budget constructed and passed along for approval during this budget cycle

- This budget should include estimations and information regarding the FT and GA positions

Subcommittees

Initially Dr. Bridgeforth proposed the structure for the following three subcommittees: *Recycling Planning*, *Recycling Operations*, and *Staffing*. After some discussion, the structure of these three committees was amended to combine the efforts of *Planning* and *Operations*, which then allowed for the insertion of a subcommittee focused on *Education and Marketing*. ***The original outline of the committee structure as discussed***

Recycling Operations: (3 people) tasked with deciding what we recycle and how we recycle it

Must consider: Who collects recycling? What is the frequency of collection?

Research other Universities

Consider coordinating with Ms. Boccardo to determine how University and Goodwill can handle the volume

The following details the addition of a subcommittee specifically for *Education and Marketing*:

Education and Marketing: (subcommittee size not determined) will be tasked with researching and putting forth ideas

Closing Remarks

Dr. Bridgeforth noted that once 75% of goals related to on-campus recycling are achieved, that the committee would then begin focusing efforts towards additional operations and initiatives.

Ms. Rushing reported that Chris Cannon, Executive Director of Information Technology, is unaware of a policy on recycling computers and wiping hard drives besides what is already known.

However, Mr. Cannon is not comfortable with the idea of collaborating on a project that involved Information Systems students

Dr. Littlefield asked where the previously discussed and later tabled draft charges will go in regards to the new subcommittee structure.

Dr. Bridgeforth believed *Operations and Planning* would be appropriate

Ms. Boccardo mentioned that the previously discussed grant proposal was officially submitted to ADEM through Goodwill Easter Seals.

Dr. Bridgeforth mentioned that the fourth place winnings from the PepsiCo Dream Machine fall competition has been directed to the Sustainability Council.

Proposals due during the remainder of the semester

Planning Ops--Rec May 19

Staffing--April 21

Education--March 17

Meeting adjourned at 3:03 p.m.