

Sustainability Task Force Meeting

April 28, 2008

Location: Sem II D3107

1-3pm

2007-08 Sustainability Task Force Meeting Minutes

Attending:

John Pumilio
Kathleen Haskett
Nancy Parkes

Martha Rosemeyer
Susie Seip
Steve Trotter

Sharon Goodman
Rich Davis
Halli Winstead

Agenda:

1. Review Draft Charge
2. Potluck
3. AASHE Conference in Raleigh, NC (Nov 9-11)
4. AASHE Stars

Discussion on item 1 was essential, and took most of the meeting. Ten minutes were reserved for item 2. Items 3 and 4 were not discussed, and therefore become the first two items on Monday's agenda.

Information/Discussion:

Halli updated the committee on the effect of serving food without trays during Earth Week.

- Saved 1200 gallons of water.
- Of 177 students polled, 150 supported the trayless effort.
- No change in the ratio of wasted food was noted.

Sustainability messages were attached to windows.

Aramark is working with their corporate district to reduce the industry standard \$5 million general liability insurance requirement to encourage local farm suppliers.

John recommended that Halli apply for an AASHE award for her work in sustainability through her efforts at Aramark and for sustainability generally.

Agenda Items:

1. The committee spent approximately 90 minutes or more discussing the draft charge. Changes were discussed and many implemented in a paragraph by paragraph review. Much discussion occurred on the topic of membership in the new Sustainability Council. There will be working groups, including one for each major area of sustainability and two cross-cutting work groups in the areas of (1) social justice, and (2) communications and fundraising.
2. The Sustainability Potluck will likely be on the evening of Thursday, May 15. Participants include the Geoduck Union, Tom Mercado, Cascade Climate Network, Sustainability Task Force, Synergy, Flaming Eggplant, and the Sustainability Intern. Each group will have a template or blank easel page with instructions on basic areas to cover in a brief presentation, such as name of group, mission, etc.

Facilitator: John Pumilio

Distribution: *Faculty, staff and students present*