

Energy and Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes
November 30, 2009
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
325 Burruss Hall

Present: Michael Coleman – Chair, Melinda West for Dwight Shelton, Scott Hurst, Denny Cochrane, Rick Johnson, Bruce Ferguson, Ben Myers, Rob Lowe, Madeline Schreiber, Mintai Kim, Jack Davis, Sara Murrill, Spencer Riddile, Tom Tucker, Alex Funk, Elena Dulys-Nusbaum, Sandra Mullins (Administrative Assistant)

Absent: Mike Cutlip, Annie Pearce, John Randolph, Sherwood Wilson

Guests: Rachael Budowle, Angella De Soto, Kaitlyn Lon, Jim McCoy, Sean McGinnis

Call Meeting to Order and Welcome Guests

Mike Coleman called the Energy and Sustainability Committee meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

Approval of Agenda

The Committee approved the agenda as proposed.

Approval of the October 26, 2009 Minutes

The Committee approved the October 26, 2009 Minutes.

Old Business

1) Review Campus Energy and Water Policy 5505

- a) Denny Cochrane informed the Committee that Policy 5505 has been revised to incorporate the two changes agreed upon at the October 2009 meeting wherein the language in item 3.5.10 reads “encourages an alternative to plastic individual serving-sized containers”, and the word “biodegradable” in item 3.5.2 was changed to “compostable.”
- b) Alex Funk commented that he thought item 3.5.10 should also include “with the potential phase out of individual bottles.” The Committee actively discussed this and a motion was made and seconded to include “with the intent to phase out plastic individual serving-sized containers”.
- c) Melinda West questioned item 3.2.4 and after discussion, the Committee agreed to add at the beginning of the sentence “assuming performance criteria are met”.
- d) Regarding item 3.10, the Committee agreed that the title should be changed to “Implementation and Communication”; “shall” in the first sentence should be changed to “is requested to”; and, the first bulleted item should be deleted.
- e) After the agreed changes are incorporated, Policy 5505 will be forwarded to the Vice President for Administrative Services for his review.

2) Update Green Campus Challenge

John Randolph asked Denny Cochrane in his absence to distribute the draft surveys for the Green Campus Challenge and ask the Committee members to review the surveys and give their initial thoughts to Dr. Randolph. Dr. Randolph will report further at the next meeting.

New Business

1) Student Sustainability Initiatives

Alex Funk will provide an update on student sustainability initiatives at the next meeting.

2) Open Discussion

There was no further open discussion.

Future Meetings

The next scheduled meeting dates for Academic Year 2009-2010 are as follows:

January 25, 2010

February 22, 2010

March 29, 2010

April 26, 2010

All meetings will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and will be held in the Presidents Board Room, 210 Burruss Hall.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.