

Senate Sustainability Committee

Committee Meeting Minutes: September 9, 2014

Room 517 Kell Hall

Attending: Stephen Rosner, Kevin Chappell, Eddie Christie, Jenni Asman, Beth Jones (for Jerry Rackliffe), Chip (Ralph) Zimmerman, Dabney Dixon, Ramesh Vakamudi, Katie Price (for Katherine Hankins), Vjollca Sadiraj, Janelle Kerlin, Chara Bohan, Bethany Turner-Livermore

Guests: Jeffrey Glover, Michael Black

Business:

1. The minutes from the March meeting were confirmed to be lost.
2. Jenni Asman informed everyone that the Farmers' Market will be launched on October 13 and will be under pilot mode. "Years of Living Dangerously" screening will be on September 25, 2014 at 5:30 pm in Centennial Hall along with a panel of real cast members and the producer. Michael Black announced upcoming events and also discussed the GSU Bike Survey that will begin October 6. Beth Jones stated that some people were overstaying at the charging stations and would like to have more charging stations installed soon. Ramesh Vakamudi declared that the electricity bill for GSU should be better controlled by reducing the use of unnecessary running of computers and lighting. Asman suggested to obtain funds for energy-efficient projects and also pass more energy policies and green-cleaning policies for the University.
3. Stephen Rosner is working on changing purchasing habits from the Panther Mart, where the default item will be the most environmental-friendly product. Chara Bohan and Bethany Turner-Livermore will be working with Stephen Rosner on this project. Kevin Chappell will be assisting with the green-cleaning policies.
4. The committee agreed to run an energy reduction test on a small building on campus before applying the method to more and bigger buildings.
5. After the data on library computers are analyzed, the committee proposed to have other unnecessary computers running turned off.
6. The committee adjourned.