

# College Environmental Advisory Group

## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

Attendance:

Bonnett Saussol  
Pete Woolhouse  
Kristin Sullivan  
Joe Cooke  
Sean Lee  
Keith  
Barb  
Veronika  
Ralph Riddle

1) Stars reports – each category has 2-3 forms that cover different areas  
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Status of categories:

a) Lee – Pest Management

- Had difficulty interacting with AASHE regarding pest management. There was Lots of information not relevant and outdated. I had to search other sites to find relevant info.
- Organic Mulching – no format
- Has a draft Integrated Management Plan (IMP) for the FHDA district

b) Veronika - Grounds

- STARS was confusing to work with initially. The Grounds category was difficult to find information.
- She was excited about phase II and so needed to backtrack
- The procedures seemed scattered at first. Once she got the grasp of it she delegated efforts to others in the group.

c) Keith – Dining Services

- Worked with three others as a team. Sent a letter to Patrick initially to request support. Patrick is interested but has limited time to spare. To determine how much organic food is being purchased required sorting through a year's receipts. Which is a time-consuming process.
- Zari discussed planting an herb garden with Childhood Development department. It was inconclusive but realized that it required initiative and patience is a virtue

d) Pete – Energy and Climate

- "I had to think on my feet based on my own initiative." Pilot program – write letters to others.
- Never was able to get "hands-on" work or information about specific buildings.
- In the end it was a valuable experience for me. I see I need more of this experience.
- the process is made more difficult because there are no individual power meters on each building.

Goals – First Three on Timeline

1)

- Sustainability in Hiring

- Funding for STARS and SMP
- How to continue acquiring baseline data, e.g. inventory of plants and trees
- 2) Frank N.- Speak about funding at the next meeting
- 3) Donna J-D -
- 4) Communications
  - Donations from public for our environmental efforts
  - Signs to explain what we have accomplished
  - Staff development
  - Unveiling SMP to campus
  - DASB education of students – environmental exhibitions this quarter
  - Add contact information to attendees in CEAG minutes