MEETING MINUTES

CEAG 2009-2010 Planning Meeting
September 9, 2009

Attending: Kristin Jensen Sullivan, Julie Ceballos, Frank Nunez, Letha Jeanpierre, Susan Malingren, Keith Hubbard, Alicia DeToro, Myra Miranda, Jorj Cheko, Samera Hadi, Valerie Whitehill, Chie Kawahara, Peter Woolhouse, Brian Murphy, Donna Jones-Dulin, Susan Malgrem, Pippa Gibson, Karl Von Ahnen and others.

Kristin Jensen Sullivan:
- Introduction of group.
- Overview of meeting, relationship of STARS, CEAG and internships. Explained the six areas of focus, Presidents Climate Commitment
- Asked F. Nunez to continue with where the program came from

Julie Ceballos:
- History of CEAG, areas of focus
- Development of EMS
  - Policy
  - Assessing impact
  - Community of Civic Engagement created
- Representatives from all aspects at the college signed on to ensure that the SMP will become part of the campus culture.

Frank Nunez
- Frank spoke about the areas of focus in connection with the SMP intersect and the STARS tracking program by which colleges can compare their sustainability program with other comparable institutions. STARS is a national program used for tracking major areas of a sustainable program.
- 2007- Program approved. Decision in summer ’08 to gather data within agreed upon categories, quantify, improve, report and rank against others. Student interns worked with Frank and Joe Cook for guidance and reporting.
- There is a stall in the STAR ranking system as might be expected from a pilot program.

CEAG, SMP, STARS 2009 – Looking forward
- EMS –
- 50 Year utility Master Plan
  - Buildings
o Heating to 72° Cooling to 68°
o Lighting – old T-12’s replaced with more efficient T-8’s
o Monitoring class use. No class, no lighting or HVAC service
o Replacement roofs are “Cool” roof’s meeting EMS goals and adapted standards. Motor efficiencies and updated VSDs used in ventilation

• 50 Year Utility Master Plan / Calculating CO₂ emissions
  o Stone Cap co-generation system for generating electricity and using heat generated for domestic hot water and water to heat pools which increases efficiency.
  o Expansion of the PV systems on campus.
  o Exterior Lighting.
  o Low emission vehicles for campus / electric

• Determine which 5 of 7 sub-categories on which to focus, not looking at Procurement and Transportation
  o Chairs for the sub-comities, monthly reporting of progress and barriers
• Continue with intern involvement reporting to Joe Cook
• 50 Year Utility Master plan

Donna Jones-Dulin:
Re-cap on the Education Master Plan and how that plan affects the Facilities Master Plan for the present and future needs of students and the plans for facilities in which to educate the students while adhering to the college commitment to implementing minimum standards of LEED Certification for Existing Buildings and to reach of Silver Certification for newly constructed buildings.
  • Resources from Measures C and E have provided funding toward these goals including irrigation and recycling and on-site composting to name a few. Upgrading Window systems are on the table as ways to meet conservation goals.
  • Transportation and Alternatives are moving forward but are complex issues due to scheduling, timing of faculty and student classes. A common barrier is the student’s multi-faceted days with home, school and work destinations.

Keith Hubbard and Peter Woolhouse:
Spoke about the impact of the internship opportunity through this program and the need to continue.

The Future of CEAG. The SMP. STAR Needs for Creating Greater Awareness
The bottom line agreement amongst all who participated is the need for greater communications. We can identify resources for better and expanded role of LaVoz and Student discussions with clubs. The Students are very interested in taking on additional responsibility for student engagement and environmental awareness among the students. Julie will look at improving online communications and what that will take. The SBA expressed a feeling of dis-connect from some of the organizations on campus such as the ICC. We would like to improve recruitment and collaboration to include those who have a greater influence over numbers of students such as Marc Coronado and the Latino/a community as an example.

The students representing the SBA see the need for a more defined role from the organizers of CEAG to ways of communicating and engagement, roles, responsibilities resulting in a more effective outcomes and accountability. The discussion of By-Laws, mapping or a code was broached and should be on the topic for the next meeting.

Keith, speaking with and for the SBA Senators represented, would like to see an Umbrella type structure under the top guidance of CEAG and take charge of student outreach. Greater communications, the creation of sub-committees and the like would have defined responsibilities to the advisory group and the chance to expand involvement from other faculty members.

**Sub-Committees Ideas:**

**Re-Cycling/Waste Minimization:**
Frank has money for this purpose and this intersects the goals of all the programs. Alicia would like to work with Karl on this project as the faculty advisor.

**Organic Gardens** Kristin and Jorj are interested in this project. We discussed two sites, one at the Kirsch Center and to look at the landscape for the new Mediated Learning Center.

**Food:** (Should be combined with organic gardening?)
Kristin and Marya are interested in this group

**Communications:**
Julie, Keith, Samera, Chie, and Jorj are interested in this group.
For boosting moral and offering a higher consciousness

**Transportation:**

**President Brian Murphy:**
Addressed the group about the organization, the capacity to engage both students and staff, the crystallization of the effort expended over the last 3 to 4 years to create this body and the commitment of the senior staff. There is a great amount of power behind the constituents. If we want to drive changes to further imbed a requirement of environmental studies and impact in the curriculum we need to organize and engage more of the faculty to support the change in their teaching materials. There is discussion of a degree in Community Organizing.

There are a great number of stressors on the system and he would appreciate starting with the “spirit of generosity” when asking for others time and commitments. Continue to stay ahead of the curve and “pull” the administration forward.

He addressed Keith and the TGIF Initiative and a possible self imposed increase in “fees” to support costs around this effort. He would like to have Keith consult John Shupe, council, to get his opinion about the legality of this proposal.

Next Meeting: October 13, 2009
Kirsch Center

List of Topics:
✓ Structure of CEAG, is there a need for By-Laws in an advisory group or a mapping structure.
✓ Sub-Groups, who and when will they meet and reporting system back to CEAG bi-monthly meetings
✓ Timing of the meetings. Do Tuesday/Thursday times work