Sustainability Charter Committee

Friday, October 24, 2014

1:30 PM

University Services Building Room 202

AGENDA

1. Call to order – Art Bettis and Brian Thompson, Co-chairs
2. Welcome New Committee Members
3. Sub-committee Progress Discussion
   1. Education and Outreach Sub-committee
      1. Green Ambassadors Program
      2. Office Change
   2. Educational Development Sub-committee
4. University of Iowa Bicycle Master Plan (draft)
5. Board of Regents Efficiency Report Update
6. Fuel Choice Discussion – Don Guckert
7. Iowa City People’s Climate March Demands
8. Next meeting and adjournment

Attachments:

University of Iowa Bicycle Master Plan (draft)

Iowa City People’s Climate March Demands

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- Meeting Minutes –

Members/Liaisons Present: Art Bettis, Liz Christiansen, Don Guckert, Andrew Hirst, Dawn Kluber, Sara Maples, Sarah Nagengast, Erika Raber, Christine Rutledge-Russell, Scott Seagren, Matthew Tarnoff, Deb Tiemens

Others Present: Shawn Albaugh Kleppe, Eric Holthaus, Jeff Landgren, Doug Litwiller

WELCOME NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A round of introductions was made welcoming new members to the Sustainability Charter Committee.

SUBCOMMITTEE PROGRESS DISCUSSION

The Education and Outreach Subcommittee reported development and refinement of the Green Ambassadors Program that is intended to create a culture on campus that helps achieve our sustainability targets. The UI Office of Sustainability will be creating a Coordinator position to implement the Eco Hawk program designed to engage faculty, staff and students.

The Educational Development Subcommittee reported that little progress had been achieved on formally incorporating sustainability into the General Education requirements. There has been a personnel change that could provide another opportunity to propose the change.

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA BICYCLE MASTER PLAN

This item was tabled until the November meeting.

BOARD OF REGENTS EFFICIENCY REPORT UPDATE

A report was provided on the Board of Regents Efficiency Report, with one portion providing recommendations directed at university facilities management, specifically in the area of energy conservation. Consultants used the UI energy conservation program as the model the other state universities should use to increase their efforts to reduce energy consumption.

FUEL CHOICE DISCUSSION

Discussion on the use of seed corn as a fuel choice was initiated. Extending an invitation to Patrick O’Shaughnessy of the College of Public Health to attend an upcoming meeting was suggested.

IOWA CITY PEOPLE’S CLIMATE MARCH DEMANDS

An Iowa City People’s Climate March was held September 21, 2014. They have communicated with the Office of Sustainability regarding the 2020 Sustainability goals and have made additional recommendations.

NEXT MEETING

Monthly meetings until the end of year will be scheduled. The next meeting will be Friday, November 21, 2014 at **Room 302,** University Services Building.