

Presidents' Commitment to Climate & Sustainability Committee

November 5th 2013 1:00 G138

Meeting Notes

Present: Karalyn Gau, Michael Boyle, Daniel K, Michael D'Entremont, Oscar Pena, Paul Righi, Les Warren, Krista Reichert, Kim Frashure, Rob Whitman, Scott Benjamin

1: Student Sustainability Club Update:

- Food Day was 10/24: Whole Foods sampled foods, presentations about sustainability 50 to 100 attendees,

2: Update Tree Planting – 10/19

- 15 Tree species were planted on the 19th
- Goal is in the next few years this will create a nice area for people to enjoy, and a sound barrier/air filter over time
- Turn out was more than 50 people, including volunteers from Charlestown, BU Students, Nature Conservancy, Odwalla Juice, Boston Naturals
- President Eddinger Spoke

3: I Drive folder

- Group had a discussion about using I drive

4: Urban Garden

- Kim did some fact finding
 - Readjusting the expectations about the garden
 - Was paid position, budget
 - Challenge is how do you do it on a shoe string
 - Email list of participants
 - Managing bed distribution

5. WHOLE FOODS PARTNERSHIPS

- Group discussed opportunities of working with Whole Foods some ideas included
 - Have them come talk to us about sustainability
 - Nutritionist at WHOLE FOODS is eager to engage our students

6. Next Meeting DECEMBER 4th

- Group discussed possibility of information gathering meeting with Whole Foods

- Group discussed idea of focusing on greening campus
- Garden management/budget

7. Announcements

- Mike is starting an ESL Class themed about sustainability