

Presidents' Commitment to Climate & Sustainability Committee

Feb 4th 2015 1:00 G138

Meeting Notes

Present: Karalynn Gau, Marcela Rodriguez, Michael D'Entremont, Oscar Pena, Michael Boyle, Krista Reichert, Scott Benjamin; Julie Lambert; Mary Geiser, Marcea Taylor

1. Announcements
 - a. Marcea announced that the upcoming internship fair would feature sustainable companies. She will be emailing students.

2. Update on GHG Reporting
 - a. GHG calculations for entire school complete but uploading reporting is delayed
 - i. Website discontinued use of calculator and new input fields not accepting data entry
 1. Scott has had difficulty entering data as he had before
 - ii. Issue with new way of reporting GHG per sq. ft. on website
 1. Committee brainstormed how to calculate gross area of campus
 - a. Scott will ask Paul for copies of blueprints if the school still has them
 - i. Committee is unsure if floor plans and blue prints are still available for the school
 - iii. Issue with fiscal year vs academic year for reporting
 1. Website asks for fiscal year reporting for enrollment data, BHCC collects enrollment data based on academic year
 - a. Marilyn confirmed that it isn't possible to determine fiscal year enrollment due to FTE changes during summer semesters
 - b. Committee decided it was best to include a footnote in reporting that enrollment data is based on academic year.
 - i. It is expected that all other campuses report enrollment on an academic year basis.
 - iv. Issue with estimating number of employees
 1. Committee discussed whether or not this included student tutors and adjuncts
 - a. Julie mentioned that the number of positions open for tutors remains the same (different people, same open position).
 - b. Mike mentioned Human Resources as a source for number of all employees and will follow up to complete data acquisition.
 - b. Once these issues are resolved reporting and progress reporting can be uploaded.

 3. Post-Reporting Committee Activity

- a. Committee discussed options for semester and year long activity once reporting is complete
 - i. Committee discussed making the data more widely accessible
 - 1. Committee discussed the idea of reviewing the reporting results and action plan with facilities to share input for remaining years of reporting.
 - ii. Committee discussed Spring 2015 events or activities post reporting
 - 1. Mike suggested Committee host another Showcase Event
 - a. Committee decided Campus Sustainability Week in Fall may be better time than Earth Week
 - i. Similar format but less formal suggested
 - ii. Use of D Lounge suggested
 - b. Julie suggested using both qualtrics and poster boards in the Forum to promote nominations
 - c. Krista will follow up with Events about possible budget for event
 - d. Committee brainstormed possible nominees to showcase
 - i. Campus Events, Art Gallery, CIT were among ideas so far
 - e. Discussion was tabled to next meeting pending information on budget and date availability