



# The College of New Jersey

## PRESIDENTS CLIMATE COMMITMENT COMMITTEE

### Committee

- Curt Elderkin, Assistant Professor of Biology (elderkin@tcnj.edu)
- Larry Gage, Assistant Director of Counseling Services (gage@tcnj.edu)
- Michael Horst, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering (horst@tcnj.edu)
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- Andrew Mathe, Student Government Association (mathe2@tcnj.edu)
- Colleen Perry, Assistant Director of Career Services (cperry@tcnj.edu)
- Nadine Stern, Vice President of Information Technology (stern@tcnj.edu)
- Meagan Terry, Student Government Association (terry4@tcnj.edu)
- Marty Bierbaum, Director of Municipal Land Use Center (bierbaum@tcnj.edu)
- Keith Dewey, Director of Grants and Corporate and Foundation Relations (dewey@tcnj.edu)
- Mark Mehler, Director of Purchasing, Finance and Business Services (mehler@tcnj.edu)

### Staff to the Committee

- Curt Heuring, VP for Facilities Management, Construction and Campus Safety
- Judy Wingerter, Secretarial Assistant—Facilities Management, Construction and Campus Safety
- Lynda Rothermel, Campus Architect and Director of Planning
- Lori Winyard, Director of Energy and Central Utilities
- Joanne Bertonazzi, Student Assistant to the PCCC

Date: 2 October 2007

Time: 2:00 p.m. — 3:30 p.m.

Location: Administrative Services Building, Room 103

| <u>Meeting Minutes</u>  |              |
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| 1. The committee approved the meeting notes from the last meeting.  | M. Horst     |
| 2. It was agreed to purchase the White Paper on Ideas, Innovations & Inspiration for Moving Your Campus Towards a More Sustainable Future.  | All          |
| 3. It was agreed to consolidate the committee by making “Staff to the Committee” full committee members.  | All          |
| 4. It was decided that the Campus Sustainability Day IV Webcast will be reviewed by the committee.<br><br>Discussion ensued regarding the Understanding Sustainable Dining Options Web Conference invitation. It was agreed that the committee needs to first decide on what initiatives that will be committed to before spending funds on conferences that may or may not be relevant to the initiatives at hand. | All          |
| 5. L. Rothermel reported to the committee that all newer projects on campus are requiring that architects must be LEED accredited. The projects will meet LEED criteria, but will not apply for certification at this time due to cost constraints (1-2% of construction cost).   | L. Rothermel |

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| <p>6. Recycling-M. Terry will investigate the cost of recyclable containers, public awareness (advertising), and information regarding discounts for purchasing reusable coffee mugs, water mugs, etc. She will contact Cindy Friedman from Public Relations office and Karen Roth, Director of Auxiliary Services for information.</p> <p>Transportation-It was suggested that a web survey be developed targeting commuting students, faculty and staff. A thought was to use a query from Human Resources to acquire data by zip code.</p> <p>LEED- how to attain LEED certified level, meet the criteria without incurring cost was discussed.</p> <p>It was decided that at the next meeting (after reviewing cost information attained by the committee) the initiatives will be decided. M. Horst will send costs to the President for her feedback and guidance.</p> | All          |
| <p>7. Andrew Mathe brought to the committee an idea of charging a sustainability fee to all incoming students (perhaps \$20.00 per student to cover cost of a sustainability person and initiatives). The committee is asking C. Heuring to present the idea to the President.</p>   | All          |
| <p>8. M. Horst reiterated to the committee the importance of deciding on the initiatives. The committee needs to comply with the timeline established by the ACUPCC. Report due November 15, 2007.</p>   | M. Horst     |
| <p>9. M. Terry asked the committee to support the Student Environmental Forum that she is coordinating with environmental groups on campus. The forum is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 8, 2007 in BSC 202E.</p> <p>The purpose of the forum is to bring awareness to the campus through information sharing, panel discussion, etc. She asked that the committee support the forum through cost of publications or refreshments, attending the forum, and participating in the panel discussion. Both L. Winyard and L. Gage volunteered to be involved.</p>  | All          |
| <p>10. M. Terry and A. Mathe will be attending the Power Shift Summit (1<sup>st</sup> national youth climate summit) at the University of Maryland from Nov. 2-5, 2007. The committee agreed to subsidize their expenses with \$150.00 for each of them.</p>   | All          |
| <p>11. Next Meeting – Tuesday, October 16, 2007</p>  | J. Wingerter |