PRESIDENT'S CLIMATE COMMITMENT COMMITTEE Minutes

Meeting

Date:	29 January 2014
Time:	3:00pm-4:30pm
Location:	AIMM 302

Committee

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Meeting Minutes

I.	Minutes approved unanimously.	Heuring
II.	Committee Leadership Announcement- M. Horst resigned as Co-Chair, but will remain on the committee. B. Potter has been appointed by the President to replace him as Co-Chair. The committee thanks Michael Horst for his commitment and hard work to the PC3 and look forward to continue	Heuring
III.	 Projects A. Curriculum Environmental Studies Minor will be housed in the Physics Department. There is a broad movement by Diane Bates regarding this minor. Another new minor is being developed (Environmental & Sustainability Education) to be housed in the School of Education. N. Magee will be inviting faculty from these curriculum efforts to join the PC3. B. GHG Inventory The update of the Carbon Action Plan has been submitted (due January 2014). Next update due in January 2015. We are in 100% compliance. The Plan can be viewed on the PC3 website. Bonner will be training a freshman student for work on this for the next year. C. Carpool Carpooler of the Month will be chosen by B. Potter and C. Heuring. B. Potter attended a meeting of the Parking Task Force, chaired by Shari Blumenthal. Carpooling parking spots will be available up until 2015. The renewal of the ICarpool is due this summer for \$1200. The program will be reviewed to determine if renewal is worthy. 	All

	Donna Green from the Development Office regarding the program and its feasibility.E. PC3 Website Website is up-to-date.	
IV.	 Bonner Center A. Transportation Survey Ready to go. The survey will be distributed within the next 2 weeks and will stay open for 2 weeks. An incentive of 3-\$25.00 gift cards to take the survey is being promoted. Biking Campaign It has been suggested that more bike racks are needed on campus. Potential routes have been mapped out to determine safest and shortest routes to campus. Also distance, minutes and calories burned are promotional information being used to encourage people to bike to campus. In the Spring, there will be "Biking to Campus" sign-ups posted with information on day/time. Bonner will be asking local bike merchants for donations of helmets and lights to be used for prizes. In the Fall there will be a bike sale. Bike Exchange (small operation in Ewing that repair and refurbish used bikes) may come to campus to sell refurbished bicycles. Bonner is looking into tune-ups for bicycles on same day. The Signal will be asked to promote biking and bike safety tips as each event nears. Zip Cars SGA is looking into zip cars for people who to campus via alternate transportation and need the use of a car for a limited amount of time during a day. B. Potter will speak to SGA regarding their efforts. Garden Schematic design of what plants are going in which beds is being developed. Home Depot donated seeds to be started in the greenhouse during February and March. Garden is 40° x 140°. Beds are being lined with bricks donated from leftover construction projects. Giving the food produced by the garden to smaller groups (e.g. food banks) is sensible since the amount of food needed for larger groups (e.g. TASK) is not feasible for the size of the garden. A need for a meditation area in the garden was discussed for the future. This would be open to all, but would need to schedule time use and 	Bonne
V.	 programming. Eventually benches could be added for this quiet area. It was suggested that Bonner students/faculty make a presentation to the Board of Trustees to raise awareness of the sustainability efforts being done at TCNJ. Other: A. Capital Campaign C. Heuring will speak with J. Donohue, Vice President of College Advancement, regarding the sponsorship of environmental initiatives. PC3 meeting times and venues. 	Heurin Wingerte