PRESIDENT'S CLIMATE COMMITMENT COMMITTEE Minutes

Meeting

Date: 16 July 2014 Time: 10:00am-11:30am

Location: SS 241

Committee

- x Curt Heuring, Vice President for Administration, (heuring@tcnj.edu), Co-Chair
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Meeting Minutes

I. Minutes – approved with following corrections: change Carbon Action Plan to Climate Action Plan	Potter
II. Climate Action Plan Committee discussed the fact that the Climate Action Plan is outdated, goals have changed, and the plan needs to be re-submitted. Transportation efforts and tree inventory should be added. C. Heuring will send the Climate Action Plan to members of the committee for review. At the next meeting, a subcommittee will be formed that will be asked to meet on a regular basis to accomplish this task.	Heuring
III. Projects A. Curriculum – passing of a sustainability minor is on hold for the summer B. Carpool – Participation has dropped off during the summer months. C. Student Sustainability Award – K. Roth reported there is a Student Affairs Sustainability Award, but since there were few applicants, the award has not been given out for several years. Faculty and staff will be invited to nominate students for the award. It was decided that the award would be advertised on both the PC3 and the Bonner websites. D. Greek Membership on PC3 - K. Roth spoke to Dave Conner, leader of Fraternity/Sorority Life. He will ask a student from the executive board to sit on the PC3 and suggested a representative of the PC3 come to the September executive board meeting of the F/S Life to share what the PC3 is doing and help get information out to the Greeks. E. Bike Sharing Program – K. Roth shared an idea about checking bikes out through the library, but all agreed that this was not feasible at this time.	All
IV. Bonner Center A. Bonner Proposal – M. Nordquist the Bonner Institute/PC3 2014-2015 Partnership Proposal. It was agreed that the proposal be accepted and passed unanimously. B. Projects 1. Transportation – ongoing promotions for I Carpool, bicycles, transit information and bus schedules will continue. a. Biking campaign – "Bike to Campus", Bike Sales, organized Bike Rides are initiatives being planned for the upcoming semesters. b. I Carpool promotion will continue. Empty spot markers with signs "You Could Park Here" will be considered for individual incentives. c. TAP Grant has been submitted—9-18 month wait-period for decision.	Nordquist

d. Shuttle – It was suggested that the cost of a shuttle service from train station be included in 2016 budget proposal. e. K. Roth is developing an RFP for a car share program-2 low emission cars need to be purchased for the program. f. W. Fatton reported a webinar being presented on August 20th from the North West Earth Institute showing eco-challenges that could possibly be adapted for our own purposes. Prizes to be considered for the winner of the challenge could be a premium cable package for a specific period of time, reduction in fess, etc. Development of a plan for challenges will be discussed further. C. TCNJ Garden - 150 lbs. of food have been donated to Mercer Street Friends so far this season. Facilities and Grounds have been helping in lending tools and wheelbarrows for use in the garden. M. Nordquist reported that a master plan for the garden would be developed to address food sources, space D. Website – It was thought a calendar of events should be added to the website. A suggestion was made to develop an academic paid or non-paid internship to revitalize the website. A faculty member would be asked to manage the internship. A funding source for the internship may be found from unused student hours during a semester that could be donated from departments for this endeavor. This funding source will be investigated. E. Other Activities regarding Earth Day, Eco-challenges, Recycling, and Sustainability Ambassadors will continue and be planned and developed. V. Other Wingerter A. Next semester PC3 meetings – doodle poll will be conducted to find the most common time for the meetings during the next semester.

NEXT MEETING – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2014 SS241 3:00PM