**PRESIDENT’S CLIMATE COMMITMENT COMMITTEE**

**Minutes**

**Meeting**

Date: 9 November 2012

Time: 8:30am

Location: AIMM 302

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**Meeting Minutes**

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| I. Minutes from Oct. 12, 2012 meeting were approved. | Heuring |
| II. Bonner Projects  A. Demonstration Garden –  1. Local Boy Scouts of America troop was contacted regarding community projects for scouts earning badges. Leader will get back to PC3 with a list of names.  2. Quotes for the garden fence are compiled. E. Hernandez was reminded that the College has a procurement process that must be followed by law to procure purchases over a certain amount. E. Hernandez reported that there are possibly 2 grants that could produce funding for the garden—it is being investigated. Campus Architect and Interior Designer will meet with PC3 to insure the fence and garden are compatible with the College campus.  3. It was suggested that Campus Police should be briefed on whether they need to patrol the area of the garden for security and safety issues. | Hernandez |
| B. Film Series –  1. 15 people attended the first film presented.  2. The next 2 films will be presented on February 25th and March 25th. They are Own Plan-eat (about healthy eating and sustainable life style) and Crude Impact (impact fossil fuels have on the environment).  C. America Recycles Day –Promoting this through dorm competitions and Terra Cycling.  D. New Education Building Sustainability Tour was quickly organized for Homecoming weekend. Campus Architect directed 15 people through the tour and her comments will be on the website.  E. Energy conservation is being promoted and tracked through the TW dorms. CAs are posting flyers promoting information through email and Facebook. The cost for materials and promotion will be approximately $2000. A proposal should be submitted detailing the initiative, including prize ideas (i.e. Pizza Party, etc.).  F. Terra Cycling -- Since there are no receptacles allowed in the bathroom because of possible contamination, there is limited ways to collect materials. It was suggested that volunteers stay in lounge and students can bring the materials to them when they are there. If this proves to be problematic, the initiative may be abandoned.  G. Website – is being updated. J. Wingerter reported that C.Rightmire is still interested in helping, but needs to wait until his work load has lessened. C.Rightmire will reach out to P.Figueroa-Vega when he is able to resume.  H. Forestry Inventory—is on hold. I-Tree was recommended to be used to do the inventory. C.Heuring stated it would be a great asset to have for the landscape architect when doing the College-wide Landscape Master Plan. | Mahal  Figueroa-Vega |
| III. Transportation—Volunteers are needed to help B. Potter promote the I-Carpool initiative. A table will be set-up to enroll people to participate. P.Dyer will man the table and help sign-up interested parties. At this point approximately 150 people have signed up and 4 people have been carpooling. In the past month this initiative has saved 600 miles and 300 lbs of carbon.  It is likely more people will carpool if there were more preferential parking spots available closer to the buildings I which they work. Adding one parking spot in each lot is being investigated.  C. Heuring and W.Fatton volunteered to staff a table in 1855 from 11:30am-1:30pm on Friday, November 30th to sign-up interested faculty and staff.  P.Figueroa-Vega suggested each member of the committee commit to signing 5 people for the carpool. | Heuring |
| IV. Curriculum –nothing to report. | Horst |
| V. Other –  A. Student School Representatives—Since no student representatives attended this meeting, It was thought to contact them and encourage participation. Minutes to be sent to them sooner to keep them informed of what is going on and what they can promote, share, and contribute. | Heuring |