2nd PC3 Meeting of 2018-2019

10 October 2018

Announcements:

1. Introduction to John D'Angelo, Interim VP for Administration and PC3 co-chair

Agenda Items:

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Project proposals for small-scale projects that improve environmental sustainability practices at TCNJ are being accepted by PC3 from now until March 8, 2019.
 - a. Set a standard of having groups report back on their projects so that we can promote them.
 - b. Natalia will be working on a "Past Initiatives" page for the PC3 website to showcase projects that have received funding in the past.
- 3. Initiatives

a. Energy Conservation

- i. Annual Dorm Competition with Environmental Club
 - 1. 2 Bonners are in contact with the Environmental Club to continue the project for the 2018-19 academic year.
 - 2. The event will likely be taking place during Earth Week in the Spring.
 - 3. We need to make sure students are in contact with RHA and Lori Winyard to properly implement and track the project.
- ii. Dinner in the Dark
 - 1. Tentative Date: October 23, 2018
 - 2. Students are deciding on Traditions or T-Dubs as the main location.
 - 3. Event summary: dinner location will have dimmed lights and LED candles will be placed on tables. There will be place cards with information on energy reduction strategies on each table.
- iii. Energy Education Event
 - 1. Bonners are planning a documentary screening followed by reflection/discussion on clean energy sources.
 - 2. We are considering hosting this during finals week.

b. Recycling

- i. America Recycles Day 11/15/2018
 - 1. Students are hosting a tabling event at the Student Center during meal equiv hours on 11/15/2018.
 - 2. There will be interactive activities to educate students on what can be recycled on campus and what can be recycled in Trenton/Ewing.
 - 3. We are looking into incorporating a social media campaign #TCNJCaughtRecycling into the event.
- ii. TerraCycle Bins

- No new updates. We are still working out logistics as far as what bins TC will be sending back to us and the educational materials needed to properly execute the project.
- iii. Bin Stickers
 - 1. Rosemary is working on a survey to track how students in SSB are responding to the new recycling stickers that were placed on recycling bins.
- iv. Bin Placement Logging
 - 1. Amanda and Rosemary will be meeting to discuss the logistics of tracking where on campus there are recycling and trash bins versus where they are missing.
- v. Notes:
 - Look into programs for move-out day waste management. In the past Bonner has hosted events where students can drop off home items and clothing they no longer want and they get donated to the Rescue Mission.
 - 2. Look into Zero-Waste initiatives at campus events.

c. Transportation

- i. RideShare App currently being tested
- ii. Bike Registration
 - 1. Natalia is in contact with Campus Police, Sgt. Kevin, on our bike registration process and thinking through bike registration promotion.
 - 2. Campus PD is interested in streamlining the current bike registration process and also requesting more information during the bike registration process. They are currently looking into how campuses go about making bike registration mandatory. It is currently not mandatory for students to register their bikes here at TCNJ.
 - 3. Ideas: Incentivize bike registration by offering free bike accessories or priority storage over the summer.
- iii. Bike Education Event w/ GMTMA
- iv. Bike Audit and Bike Racks
 - 1. Is it worthwhile to have students go and do an audit of the bike racks?
 - a. Students would need to regularly check bike racks and see if they are in use, if bikes are properly locked, etc.
- v. Notes:
 - 1. What do we do about abandoned bikes on campus?
 - a. Natalia will reach out to Campus PD contact about this.
 - 2. Should we pursue better bike racks? More bike racks needed? More bike repair stations needed?

d. Communications and Outreach

- i. Website and Social Media
 - 1. Contact for all things website and social media for PC3 is Natalia dasilvn3@tcnj.edu

- 2. Natalia created an instagram for PC3 (@tcnj_pc3) where we will be regularly promoting our events and other green events and initiatives happening on campus as well as uploading educational content related to our initiatives.
- 3. The website is going to be regularly updated. Those who lead initiatives such as Recycling and Energy reduction should contact Nat with any relevant items that need updating.
- ii. Campus Maps
 - 1. Natalia is going to work on an audit of the campus map to see what needs to be added (ex: TCNJ Campus Garden) and drafting a list of what should be included in the "Green Campus Map". This information will then be communicated with the appropriate staff.
- 4. Dr. Shakow's Class Dr. Shakow needs people to reach out to help connect students with contacts and resources.
 - a. Citizens Climate Lobby Introduce Student Chapter at TCNJ
 - i. Need someone to connect them with student government so that they can figure out the process for getting a chapter approved on campus. Students will also be raising funds to go to lobby day.
 - b. Meat Reduction on Campus
 - i. Students will be working on improving vegan and vegetarian options at dining halls and educating the campus on the meat industry and meat consumption.
 - c. Pollinator Gardens
 - Students are working on making this a larger effort to green the campus and eventually get TCNJ certified as a "BeeCampus" <u>https://www.beecityusa.org/what-is-a-bee-campus.html</u>
 - d. Crosswalks and Bike Accessibility on Campus
 - i. Students are looking into increasing bike accessibility on campus.
- 5. Megan will be out on leave these next few weeks. Amy Schratz <u>schratz2@tcnj.edu</u> will be our contact person for Bonner/PC3 related items.
- 6. Next Meeting November 14 at 1:30pm in SSB 241