

Green University Planning Committee

February 14, 2014

Minutes

1:30-3:00pm

Senate Chambers

Attendees:

Alex Lautensach, Assistant Professor, Education, Terrace Campus
Amanda Drew, Energy Technician
Arthur Fredeen, Professor, Ecosystem Science and Management
Becky Dochstader, Undergraduate Student Representative
David Claus, Assistant Director, Facilities Management (Acting Chair)
Eileen Bray, Vice President Administration and Finance
Ken Wilkening, Associate Professor, International Studies
Kyle Aben, PICS
Kyrke Gaudreau, Sustainability Coordinator
Leslie Burke, Purchasing Agent
Michael Dewar, Graduate Student Representative
Michael Watson, NUGSS Sustainability Representative
Minetta Norrie, President, Students for a Green University
Rob van Adrichem, Vice-President External Relations
Sarah Boyd, PGPIRG
Shelley Rennick, Director, Facilities Management
Trevor Fuson, CUPE

Regrets:

Aaron Leblanc, Director, Ancillary Services
Adam Thomas, First Nations Representative
Blanca Schorcht, Dean, College of Arts, Social, and Health Sciences
Daniel Ryan, Dean, College of Science and Management
Geoff de Ruiter, Alumni Representative
John Young, Acting Provost
Mark Dale, Acting President
Ranjana Bird, Vice-President Research

Recorder: Katherine Benny

1. Approval of Agenda

- Approved (K Aben / M Watson)

2. Approval of Minutes – January 17, 2014

- K Wilkening notes P.2 Item 4. “Green Grants revisited” corrected to “Green Fund revisited”.
- Approved (K Wilkening / K Aben)

NEW BUSINESS:

3. Green Day update – K Gaudreau

- Successful event. K Benny working on report for next year.

- Sustainability Manager to be less involved in 2015 with Green Day more student-led.

4. Green Fund Logo update – B Dochstader

- Two logos designed by B Dochstader voted on a Green Day 2014.
- B Dochstader to bring logo to Communications to finalize fonts and colours. Will consider incorporating UNBC logo to convey university support of green grants.

5. Students for a Green University (SGU) – M Norrie

- SGU posting a Dome Greenhouse Manager position for Summer 2014.
- High 1st year student involvement with SGU.

6. GUPC strategic review – K Gaudreau

- Opportunity to begin re-visioning Green Strategy and GUPC and increase capacity of Green University Centre
- H Smith from CTLT to facilitate visioning session at upcoming GUPC meeting.
- A Lautensach – collective reflection could be useful at least once a year.
- K Wilkening – April would be ideal.
- K Gaudreau to seek approval from President for moving forward.

7. Green Grants proposals – K Wilkening

- Large intake of proposals. Committee met Thursday February 13, 2014
- All successful proposals expected to acknowledge Green Fund
- Successful Projects:
 - Land Stewardship Initiative (Mike Jull)
 - *Carried*
 - Ancient Forest Trail Display (Darwyn Coxson)
 - Issues to address: who owns prints; what happens to the prints after exhibition is over; how to coordinate with 25th Anniversary projects; the timing of the exhibition.
 - K Wilkening and S Boyd to discuss with applicants
 - *Carried*
 - Beekeeping at UNBC (Biology Club)
 - Issues to address: longevity of project; risk management; location; succession planning (potential for PGPIRG to assume control)
 - Condition: have club produce report and present to GUPC addressing issues
 - *Carried (1 opposed)*
 - Solar PV Research (Steve Helle)
 - Condition: only \$9000 will be awarded.
 - *Carried*
 - Rooftop Garden (PGPIRG)
 - Concerns expressed regarding recurring funding; PGPIRG must secure other funding if these initiatives are to continue in future years
 - *Carried*
 - Globe Conference and Environmental Leaders Conference (Cam Bell)
 - Condition: \$500 for Environmental Leaders Conference. Funding not provided for Globe Conference.
 - *Carried*
 - Indigenous Farming Conference (First Nations Centre)
 - Condition: First Nations Centre to clarify their deliverable to UNBC in response for funding. \$1,000 in total funding granted.
 - *Carried*

- Proposals not funded in this intake: Organic waste audit; Solar garbage compactor; GREENR access; SGU Colloquium.
 - *Carried*

8. Composting next steps – K Wilkening

- K Gaudreau – Submitted memo to PEC regarding opening up Green Fund to large projects.
- S Rennick – Facilities to investigate institutional composting system once details worked out with new food services provider.
- K Wilkening – Suggests interested stakeholders meet to discuss composting options

9. Roundtable (information) – All members

- K Aben – Carbon Neutral Subcommittee – Will distribute revised TOR prior to upcoming GUPC meeting.
- B Dochstader – Residence moving from two Green RAs to one.
- R van Adrichem – 25th anniversary proposals are due March 14.
- A Drew – Additional funding of \$130,000 secured for Revolving Loan. UNBC enrolled in energy competition (against other schools/between residence/between Admin building and Teaching and Learning building).
- S Boyd – Upcoming presentation on perceptions of wind energy.
- M Dewar – Two new Campus Food Strategy Group coordinators hired.

ADJOURNEMENT – 3:00