

Friday May 20, 2016

10:00-11:30am

Room 5-122

Minutes

Attendees:

Arctica Cunningham, NUGSS President
Arthur Fredeen, Professor, Ecosystem Science and Management
Belinda Larisch, Energy Technician
Ben Bryce, Assistant Professor, History
Chantel Kozachenko, Dome Greenhouse Manager
David Claus, Assistant Director, Facilities Management
Erik Jensen, Dean, College of Science and Management
Kyrke Gaudreau, Sustainability Manager (Acting Chair)
Leslie Burke, Purchasing Agent
Michelle Connolly, PICS Coordinator
Justin Serpa, PGPIRG Gardener

Regrets:

Alex Lautensach, Assistant Professor, Education, Terrace Campus
Breanne Tenant, PGPIRG
Brenda Slomka, Assistant Director, Student Life
Daniel Ryan, Provost
Daniel Weeks, President
Geoff Payne, Vice-President Research
Kate Hewitt, GSS Sustainability
Mark Dale, Dean, Regional Campuses
Raychill Snider, NUGSS Sustainability
Robert Budde, Professor, English
Trevor Fuson, CUPE Representative
Zarrah Holvick, Alumni Representative

1. Approval of Agenda
 - Approved (A Fredeen / B Bryce)
2. Approval of Minutes – April 15, 2016
 - Approved (K Gaudreau / L Burke)

NEW BUSINESS:

3. Green Travel Grant Proposal – National Food Summit – C Kozachenko and K Devauld
 - A Fredeen – Unclear about benefit of focus on international foods for post-conference engagement. Recommend focus more in line with current food work.
 - L Burke - Recommend to withhold a portion of the money to ensure post-conference engagement takes place
 - B Bryce – propose 10% holdback.
 - All in agreement

- Motion – Fund proposal subject to 10 percent of funding held back until post-conference public engagement accomplished (L Burke / M Connolly) – *Passed*
4. Electric Car Partnership Renewal – K Gaudreau
 - Electric car partnership ending in July 2016. Opportunity to develop a new 4-year partnership. Draft partnership under development between original partners. New cost to UNBC partnership would be approx. \$5,000 over the 4-year period. Currently, \$3,750 remaining in original budget.
 - B Larisch – Leaf is a physical representation of what we should be doing.
 - B Bryce – Important to collect better data on usage patterns.
 - Motion – The GUPC put forth the \$1600 to renew the electric car partnership (B Bryce / A Fredeen) – *Passed*

 5. GUPC Terms of Reference (TOR) – A Fredeen and K Gaudreau
 - A Fredeen – Revisiting TOR has occurred several times. Important to revisit it, and see if we want to update it.
 - M Connolly – Have concerns about Green Fund awards and the criteria for selection.
 - A Fredeen – Recommend having one event a year where PEC is invited to provide annual summary.
 - E Jensen – Present at a regularly scheduled PEC meeting.
 - B Bryce – Maintain current membership, even if many do not attend.
 - A Fredeen – Re-invigorate subcommittees – Green Fund and Green Day.
 - K Gaudreau – Recommend restructuring as advisory committee. Meet at the beginning and end of each semester. Set goals and assess progress.
 - A Fredeen – would make us less nimble. Things come up and things change. Likes the monthly basis. If we need to council.
 - Action – K Gaudreau to put together proposal of newly structured GUPC.

 6. Roundtable (information) – All members
 - B Larisch – Concerned about recent bike thefts on campus.
 - A Fredeen to look into Library as a possible storage facility.
 - B Larisch – Facilities concern is about damaging walls. A classroom
 - L Burke – no more paper mastercard statement
 - M Connolly – PICS doing collaborative project with Two Rivers Gallery on Art, Change and Creativity. Inserting climate change themed events into existing schedule.
 - B Larisch – UNBC carbon emissions were 1,583 tonnes in 2015. Down from 2,278 tonnes in 2014. Reasons: Climate change. Warm year. Also diligent operators, used hardly any NG. mainly on bio which is how we should always be running.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30am