

Sustainability Council Meeting  
Minutes  
March 15, 2013

Members Present: 20

Lennis Pederson retired March 1. The Sustainability Council would like to thank Lennis for all he has done; sustainability at Creighton would not be where it is without him. The university is in the process of hiring his replacement. Mary Duda is the Sustainability Manager and will be the go-to person for all things sustainability.

Mary D announced the possibility of Wenninghoff Farms having a CSA (community supported agriculture) dropoff at Creighton. They would drop off bags of produce that people had purchased to a central location. Then the customers would get the bags from the central location. Steph Wernig and Jessica Heller volunteered to look into being the dropoff location.

FaceAIDS, a student organization is hosting a Better World Books drive. Most boxes are in bookstore due to contractual obligations with Follett. There is one spare box that they can put elsewhere, so the group discussed where to put the box for faculty/staff to use. The group decided that instead of placing the box, we should work with LeeAnn Crist to donate books that are left behind with the moves. Also we can talk to Goodwill about what happens with the donations they will be getting from the move-out program.

The Climate Action Plan continues progress, with meetings held to determine next steps.

Earth Day will be held April 17 in conjunction with Fr. Lannon's all-university prayer service.

Several updates on the bike program:

- Samantha Senda-Cook is heading up a group to form a bike-repair shop. There was a discussion of what to call it, since people will not be able to purchase goods or services; the point is for people to learn how to fix their own bikes. Something like a Bike Co-op is the name that makes the most sense. The Co-op will have lawn signs that point people to the co-op.
- B-Cycle: Wellness Council and the Greenjays are looking at it.
- The group discussed the possibility of selling bikes or the Community Bike Project selling bikes here as a satellite location. There is interest in this.

World Water Day is coming up on March 22; information will be sent to the campus

Update on Goodwill "Give and Go" program: Mary D talked about this; we are still discussing with Goodwill and Keep America Beautiful. A member mentioned that we should thank the Walker family for all of their hard work over the years creating this program. Also the question was raised whether the locations they typically donated to would be expecting the items. There was also a discussion on whether people would be unhappy with donating the goods to Goodwill, since they sell the items,

instead of them being given away. The group decided that since the items were still going to a charity that does good work (i.e. job assistance in many forms), it should be fine.

St. Francis Day planning will begin soon, since it is October 4 and it would be difficult to get a program together in the 6 weeks between the start of school and that date.

Next meeting: April 19