



Minutes

Advisory Council on Stewardship and Sustainability – Steering Committee

Thursday, February 17, 2011 12:10-1:10pm

College Hall 402

In Attendance: Monica Bartlett (co-chair), Brian Henning (co-chair), Erik Horngren, Todd Dunfield, Thomas Whitney, Ken Sammons, Gary Chang, Anastasia Wendlinder, Linda Wilson, Tim Hatcher, Andrea Bertotti-Metoyer

1. Dr. Bartlett solicited feedback on the proposed budget for 2012. for the committee for the upcoming year. It was proposed that money potentially be set aside for a student and faculty “green award,” but such an award has yet to be created. Also, there was discussion of whether to ask for money for “contractive services.”
2. Dr. Henning reported that all the answers for the Princeton Review survey on the University’s “green rating” had been compiled. These responses will be kept on file and updated as is appropriate for future surveys.
3. Dr. Henning gave an update on the proposed Green Purchasing Policy. The policy is currently being reviewed by Executive Vice President Martin. However, it is not likely that the policy will be finalized before March 15 when the University must submit its two tangible actions to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions under the ACUPCC. It was decided that the purchasing of Energy Star products and the implementation of LEED silver building standards, two components of the Green Purchasing Policy, should be recommended to President McCulloh as tangible actions.
4. Dr. Bartlett gave a summary of the Curriculum for the Bioregion meeting of eastern Washington colleges and universities that was held on February 11. The meeting focused on how sustainability can be integrated across the curriculum. There was talk about what institutions are currently doing in this regard and how their efforts can be expanded. There was also planning for next year’s meeting; the goal is to expand the number of faculty and get more people involved with the project.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be held Thursday, March 17 in College Hall 402. The next Climate Action Plan meeting will be held Thursday, March 3 in College Hall 402. Both meetings will take place at 12:10pm.

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