

**Environmental Impact & Sustainability Committee**

**("NECC – EISC")**

**Meeting Minutes**

**04/13/09**

**1:00-2:00pm PDR**

***In Attendance: Paul Chanley, Co-Chair; Tom Fallon, Co-Chair; Jim Brocato; Dina Brown; Cliff Clarke; Alison Cody; Jessica Cogswell; Martha Leavitt; Sue Wolfe; Linda Hudson(Recorder)***

***Meeting began at 1pm.***

- ***Kudos to the "Environmental Awareness Month" activities flyer on the NECC website;***
- ***A college-wide e-mail dated April 2009 was sent regarding our Committee and our NECC "Green" accomplishments ;***
- ***VP Wolfe submitted NECC's wish list to DCAM. Over 70% of what is requested is energy related (lighting for the General Services ("B") and Science ("E") buildings, roof replacement at 45 Franklin Street campus, conversion of gas from electric at the Gym, etc.) Cost savings to the College will be considerable in the next 10-15 years;***
  - ***It was suggested that we look in to the possibility of installing a meter in the General Services "B" building to show kw hours?***
- ***The Solar Panel project for buildings "B" & "E" should be going forward. We should hear news by July 1<sup>st</sup>;***
- ***Energy Star appliances will be purchased for the school but not PCs;***
- ***Alison Cody will relook the "New Trees Grant Proposal" in May;***
- ***Committee members decided that the two (2) major areas that we will focus on to reduce our carbon footprint are "Energy Consumption Reduction (gas, electricity)" and "Student Commuting".***
  - ***Discussion arose regarding student commuting.***
    - ***Can we change the way that students get to school?***
    - ***Create a site for student carpooling? (Facebook?);***
    - ***Jessica Cogswell will look at what other college campuses are presently doing regarding commuting;***

- An “Arizona State University” flyer was passed around. Great ideas! If you would like to read about their ways to a sustainable future, the website is <http://sustainability.asu.edu/campus;>
- Visit <http://www.conservatree.com/learn/EnviroIssues/TreeStats.shtml> to find out how much paper can be made from a tree.
- Check out this link: [www.empowermentinstitute.net](http://www.empowermentinstitute.net) to read about the low-carbon diet?

*Meeting ended at 1pm.*

*Respectively submitted,*

*Linda Hudson  
Buildings & Grounds*