

## Environmental Impact & Sustainability Committee

### Meeting Minutes

10/19/10 1pm TC205

In attendance: Alison Cody, Dick Goulet, Linda Hudson (Recorder), Martha Leavitt, Marcy Vozzella (Co-Chair)

Meeting began at 1:05pm.

Notes:

- Marcy began with questions regarding what the agenda of the “EISC” committee is or should be. Each item below was briefly discussed and those with detail begin to outline ideas for new goals and questions. Some items for discussion were:
  - What should we be focusing on?
  - What does or should our committee do?
  - What are we trying to accomplish?
  - Where is our web site and what should it include?
  - Should we be a “Standing Committee”?
    - We need to invite more people to join.
    - Marcy committed to looking into what it means to be a standing committee campus as a means to investigate this option
    - The committee as a whole created a list of what areas in the college we believe we need representation.
    - The committee agreed that after we create a strong new structure for the group we would like to Invite students to join
  - Our committee should... ( a discussion about what our goals were involved the ideas below)
    - Create direction, as an advisory group for all things environmental & sustainable
    - Recommend new energy projects to the President (sustainability)
    - Lobby for funding, etc
  - Committee discussed the lack of awareness of this committee
  - The committee discussed the idea of do we need a “Sustainability Coordinator”?
    - Is this a full-time job? – as has been done by several Mass. Community Colleges
    - Funding sources for the position?
- **NOTE: Please commit to spending some time checking out the “EISC” website (not easy to find) and e-mail Marcy your list of changes/additions/suggestions by Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Where would you like to see the Green Site?**
  - **What would we like to see on the website?**
  - **How can we change it?**
- Dick gave us an overview of “Single-Stream Recycling”
  - After review, the small blue recycle bins were not in most classrooms. 160 bins have been ordered and will be placed in all rooms as soon as they arrive

- We have to date spent \$4-5,000 in containers and brochures to promote our “Single-Stream Recycling” efforts
  - We are close and ready to communicate this program campus-wide. This will be done as soon as the containers arrive and the contract cleaners are trained. The committee agreed that this college wide communication would be a great place to get recognition for the committee. We are suggesting the communication come from the committee as a whole in conjunction with facilities.
  - The City has 2 trash containers at Lot #3 – it was suggested that a container be located near the gym building – Dick will discuss this with the city
  - Marcy has 50 posters to distribute around campus and 100 small classroom printouts for over the new bins.
- Martha Leavitt stated that “Haverhill Brightside” is interested in participating in the “Community Garden” endeavor.
- Alison Cody brought up questions generated in her area such as Is this legal to have on state property? This question prompted us to create a working document of questions that will be used as a planning document.
  - **Please send any questions you may have regarding the Community Garden to Martha by Monday Oct 25<sup>th</sup>.** Martha will compile them and she and Marcy will work on addressing them and bring them to the committee.
- Following the meeting Marcy recruited 2 new members to the Committee and we welcome them
- Linda Shea, Library
  - Frank Dushame, IT

Marcy and Alison Cody are planning to meet with Ron Taber and Ernie Greenslade on Tuesday, November 2, 2010 to work on one of our three subcommittees- PR.

**NOTE: PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**Our next scheduled committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at 1pm in TC 205.**

Meeting ended at 2pm.

Respectively submitted,

Linda Hudson  
 Staff Assistant  
 Facilities & Grounds  
 978-556-3922