

Campus Sustainability Council Meeting Minutes
The University of Winnipeg
Tuesday, October 29, 2013
9th Floor Rice Boardroom
8:30-10:00 am

Meeting Attendance					
Present	Regrets	Name	Present	Regrets	Name
X		Alana Lajoie-O'Malley	X		Teresa Senderewich (notes)
X		Michael Emslie	X		Jacob Nikkel
	X	Michael Dudley		X	Lydia Warkentin
X		Andrée Forest	X		Len Cann
	X	Stephen Kurz	X		Kyle MacDonald
X		Allan Amundsen	X		Jeff Palmer
X		Lena Yusim	X		Laurel Repski
X		Nathan Sullivan (EcoPIA)	X		Mike Thul

Item	Subject	Discussion Required	Next Steps	Responsibility	Deadline
1	8:30-8:40 Introductions & Agenda				
		Agenda approved. Motion – Lena; Second – Andree; All in favour.			
2	8:40-9:10 FY2012 Annual Report				
		Alana presented key findings to Council for discussion. Council approved FY 2012-13 annual report. Motion – Andree; Second – Al; All in favour. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key achievements - we've completed all work on mechanical systems to ensure that they are functioning to allow UWinnipeg to achieve its Kyoto target, all office paper switched to 100% post consumer paper, pesticide- 	Post annual report to website.	Teresa	ASAP

		<p>free grounds-keeping was established, UWSA Bike Lab up and running, GHG inventory reporting through Climate Registry.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office has high reporting requirements, is continually working on ensuring data documentation is enhanced. • Will require 160-600 T of CO2e GHG reductions to offset field house. • Next steps in GHG mitigation/reduction – Alana attending a series of talks, dialogue & consultation to develop a green economic strategy. We need alternative sources of heating other than natural gas. • Alana involved with the biomass economy network. • Would like senior executive group to be strategic when it comes to new buildings by including mitigation in the initial plans. The adding of square feet is a problem all across Manitoba - any new projects should consider campus as a whole when determining impacts. <p>Comments from Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects over \$250,000 go to the board – shouldn't necessarily rely on the board to make these considerations. • New housing is being discussed – we need to keep the council up to date on any developments. • It can't just be improvements in efficiency; ultimately we need new fuel options. • Discussion about biomass – is it feasible for a downtown campus? Research is ongoing. • Better for the planet for MB Hydro to be selling their electricity to the US so they don't use fossil fuels is debatable matter of ongoing discussion. • University doesn't have an official position on nuclear. Growing argument that nuclear might be the "greenest"? Might create other problems other than GHGs (radioactivity). • There are challenges other than GHG- should be a holistic take on the environment. • GHG emissions from waste have not been reported this 			
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		year because of ongoing year-over-year data quality problems.			
3	9:10-9:50 Action Plan Status – Progress Updates				
3a	Waste, Grounds & Cleaning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have released new bins (made by CBCRA). They look really great. Last week during Waste Reduction Week Teresa got feedback to make them even better. CBCRA is doing a waste audit this week to see how effective they are (3-stream vs. 4-stream). UofM is taking some of the old ones, some will be re-launched. CSO just received \$25,000 for new bins; it's in discussion where the new bins will go on campus. 	Continue to track and report on actions that you are championing.	All.	Next meeting.
3b	Procurement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allan tracks all purchase orders that he issues (where the item comes from) to establish a baseline. Over time we will be able to tell what percentage of items come from in-province vs. out. Although – suppliers such as Grand & Toy cannot necessarily be considered “local” since none of their products are made locally. Should we be measuring where each product is coming from? What is the intent of measuring this? Tracking it at all will be useful at some point – we need to at least track what we can, and hopefully improve in the future. 	Continue to track and report on actions that you are championing.	All.	Next meeting.
3c	GHG, Energy & Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 3 improvements – looking even further at efficiency on campus. Funding coming from grants, some initial sustainability budget, etc. Alana working on fundraising. No guarantees that funds will be available but please keep her up-to-speed on what is needed. Andree mentioned the Twitter hash tag #UWinnipegproblems – students are having issues with the fluctuating temperatures in the classrooms. 	Continue to track and report on actions that you are championing.	All.	Next meeting.

		Changes should bring better control of temperature. Students and staff should call engineering if there are any problems.			
3d	Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bike Lab advocacy committee starting to look at cycling infrastructure in and around campus. Want to address some of the more problematic intersections for cyclists. Andree is on a committee with the city working on exactly this issue. Bike Lab was extremely busy this summer, 7 new mechanics are being trained. • Police auction could possibly donate left-over bikes to Bike Lab who could then help retrofit them for the community. Storage is a problem, but there are some initiatives started. 	Continue to track and report on actions that you are championing.	All.	Next meeting.
3e	Academics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student is being hired for a work-study position to take an inventory of our sustainability courses. Hope is to have a draft ready by January. Will definitely be ready by registration season next year. Feedback from students would be valuable, should have a student on the committee. • **Courses should be cross-listed with departments that apply to them!! i.e. Environmental business classes should be listed with environment and business. 	Continue to track and report on actions that you are championing.	All.	Next meeting.
3f	Finance, Governance & Admin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No questions/comments. 	Continue to track and report on actions that you are championing.	All.	Next meeting.
4	9:50-10:00 Announcements & Next Meeting				
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biomass energy talk on Friday 12:30 – 1:30 • Grass Routes Sustainability Week – Nov. 12th – 15th – Living on (Un)Settled Land – can find agenda on website. 	Schedule next meeting.	Teresa.	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Doodle works best for scheduling. Next meeting will be mid-December.			