

CEST Meeting Minutes
April 14th, 2010
3:00 pm, Admin III Rm. 124

Attendees:

Sarah Ketchem, Nessa Stone, Bill Winner, Erin Champion, Jeff Hightower, Jack Colby, Paul McConocha, Blain Woods, David Dean, Lindsay Batchelor, Lisa Johnson, Carole Acquesta, Bill Davis, Brian O'Sullivan, Barry Olson, Mike Harwood

Welcome and Thank You- Jack

Welcome Sarah Ketchem as new Program Manager for Waste Reduction and Recycling
Congratulations to WRR for award from Carolina Recycling Association
NC State selected to receive Smith Seal Sustainable North Carolina Business Award
Want to update group on anticipated process as we move forward with the planning process
Earthwise Awards announcement

Tracy-

Sustainability Strategic Planning Time Line
Carole asked about tactic development and if groups would be submitting draft tactics while still in process
Discussion about overlaps in topic areas (space utilization)
Bill- chairs should take ownership of this plan and WG's are now resources for advancing sustainability at NC State

Chair Updates

Nessa, Waste Reduction and Recycling

Tactical planning already moving
Organics recycling already moving- will be in dining halls in August
Walkway recycling is moving based on funding for containers

Carole Acquesta, Buildings

Sustainability vision statement and LEED checklist for capital projects in place
- Buildings must meet silver but encouraged to try for gold
First tactical meeting scheduled for May

Lisa Johnson, Land Use

Had good discussion at first tactic development meeting
One tactic area became three
Tree Conservation Plan beginning
Realized that they needed subject area expert for urban forestry, will partner with professor and use

class to accomplish some tactics

Conservation and Preservation- pilot project of North Creek corridor

Discussion about how to integrate academics with campus design and operation. Not a nexus to bring together these groups. Faculty members can be helpful- keep contacting them.

Tracy mentioned that it is one of the SO's compact goals to better this process

Paul McConocha, Energy and Water

Having their meeting in early May

Wants to participate in field trips to better engage working group

Brian, Transportation

Been talking with individual members

Projects already underway in Transportation

Incorporated some suggestions from Land Use

Blain Woods, Materials and Purchasing

Planning to pull group together soon

Bill Winner, Academics and Research

Working group provided input for draft sustainability strategic plan

Bill, Erin and Tracy attended Sustainability in the Curriculum Conference

Possible regional sustainability and curriculum conference in late May

Environmental Sciences Academic Program- been working to revise this program and it will be a portal for ways to make some of CEST's goals a reality

Events Announcements:

Earthwise Awards Ceremony- April 19th

Earth Day on the Brickyard- April 22nd

Planet Earth- downtown Raleigh- April 17th

Electronics Recycling Drive- April 21st

Re-usable Regatta- April 24th

Other Announcements:

EPA Energy Star Competition

Stimulus Block Grant