

Green University Planning Committee November 17, 2011 MINUTES

3:00-4:30pm

Teaching and Learning 10-4044

Guests

Zane Robison, Residence and Student Life Manager Nitha Karanja, Student, Coordinator Campus Food Systems Project Daniel Sturgeon, Student, Coordinator Campus Food Systems Project

Attendees

Alex Lautensach, Assistant Professor, Education, Terrace Campus Arthur Fredeen, Professor, Ecosystem Science and Management Cam Bell, NUGSS
Danielle Smyth, Sustainability Manager
John Young, Dean, College of Arts, Social, and Health Sciences Ken Wilkening, Associate Professor, International Studies
Nadia Nowak, NUGSS

- The Graduate Student Representative was absent and will be introduced during the December 5 meeting.
- 4. Presentation: Campus Food Systems Project (information) N Karanja and D Sturgeon
 - Two students have been funded by the Sierra Youth Coalition and Meal Exchange. To work on the Campus Food Systems Project
 - The project has four goals:
 - Food procurement on campus is local, sustainable, healthy and accessible for a food-literate campus community.
 - Food work on campus is supported by and connected into a Campus Food Strategy Group, a centralized network that represents food issues, strengths, and opportunities, and collaborates and problem solves for good food solutions.
 - Students and faculty work together with campus staff and food service providers to produce research on the local food system, promoting accessible understanding of food from seed to plate and identifying new opportunities.
 - Campus builds infrastructure to affect change for campus communities, local economies, increasing overall awareness and health.
 - The students will be working with staff, faculty, students, administration and food service providers on campus

5. Green Fund

- a) Presentation: Green Residence Project (information) Z Robison
- The Green Residence Project (funded by the Green Fund in May 2010) is now complete
- Residence has seen an increase in the amount of material being recycled
- The project's success has enable the creation of two permanent Green Residence Assistant Positions (funded through recycling savings and bottle deposits)
- The funding was used to leverage additional donations for a building energy challenge and outdoor recycling bin
- Some of the educational programming included: a building energy challenge which led to a 27% reduction (2nd place finish among other BC post secondary institutions); various film nights; cooking classes; presentations; and bike blended smoothie nights
- Student research reveals a desire amongst students living in residence to have access to compost facilities
- Future plans for greening residence include the installation of low flow shower heads
- A full pro