Green University Planning Committee February 19th, 2010

MINUTES

10:00 to 11:00pm Senate Chambers

Attendees:

Mark Dale, Provost (Chair)
Eileen Bray, Vice-President Administration and Finance
Kyle Aben, PICS
Rob van Adrichem, Vice-President External Relations
Gail Fondahl, Vice-President Research
John Young, Acting Dean, College of Arts, Social, and Health Sciences
Ken Wilkening, Associate Professor, International Studies
Nadia Nowak, NUGSS
Shelley Rennick, Director, Facilities Management
Danielle Smyth, Green University Research Project Manager
Trevor Fuson, CUPE
Anke Krey, Graduate Student

Regrets:

George Iwama, President
Alexie Stephens, goBeyond
Nick Ehlers, PGPIRG
Bill McGill, Dean, College of Science and Management
Arthur Fredeen, Associate Professor, Ecosystem Science and Management
Balbinder Deo, Assistant Professor, Business

Recorder: Danielle Smyth

1. Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved with additions

2. Updates

- D. Smyth introduces and welcomes new members A. Kreye and T. Fuson to the committee
- D. Smyth provided committee with updates related to Bottled Water Free Day (March 11th, 2010), goBeyond program and UNBC exhibit at the GLOBE 2010 conference
- Upcoming opportunity to participate in "Sustainability Across the Curriculum" a 2.5 day train-the-trainer course focused on integrating sustainability into curriculum. D. Smyth will provide more information, including date and location, as it becomes available.
- According to BC government legislation, all PSO s must submit a Carbon Neutral Action Report (CNAR) by March 31st. The GUPC will be asked to review a UNBC s draft 2009 CNAR during the March 1 -

- G. Fondahl suggested three intake periods per year (i.e. one per semester providing 1/3 of the funding each intake)
- E. Bray concerned with approving proposals with on-going funding commitments and pointed out that both current proposals have ongoing commitments
- N. Nowak suggested that the Green Fund provide start-up funding for projects that could eventually be incorporated into a department s budget or be funded through the savings associated with that project
- D. Smyth suggested seeking proposals that have identified additional sources of funding or matching funds
- G. Fondahl added that there must be a clear requirement for successful applicants to submit a progress report
- Suggested that a provision that the Green Fund provides "start-up funding be stated more clear

ACTION: D. Smyth to revise Green Fund Guidelines.

5. Green Fund Proposal Submissions

 Submissions will be circulated by email for comment and will discussed during the GUPC March 12th meeting.

6. Possible Next Steps:

- Working Groups
- Sustainability Report
- Formal Sustainability Policy
- Item tabled until next meeting

Adjournment: 11:00 am