



## ASI Sustainability Board Minutes

2012-2013:1 Tuesday, October 30, 2012 3:00-5:00 PM, BSC, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Pegasus

### I. Preliminaries

a. Call to Order: 3:04pm

b. Quorum Check

Voting Members:

X Nika Hemati, Secretary of Sustainability-Chair

x Christine Hall, Vice President

x Sally Kandah, Science Senator

x Ariane Lebrilla, ENV Senator

x ~~Russell Apolonio~~, Emilie Tan, Beat Chair

x Nikki Hermann, Student-at-Large

x Eric Wyatt, Student-at-Large

Advisors:

x Powell Velasco, ASI Executive Director Designee

c. Agenda Changes

1. Nika moved "Timelines and Calendars" to first on list of discussion items, while everyone was already present.

d. Introduction of Guests

1. Gabe Esparza very interested in sustainability, from college of agriculture, a part of ag-council. Was president of Los Rancheros.

e. Open Forum

1. Powell Velasco, BSC space study. Looking for volunteers to participate in small focus group sessions next week, 11/5-11/9. Survey will be going out roughly 11/12 to campus, and there will most likely be open sessions where campus at large can participate.

f. Reports

1. No reports.

### II. Action Items

### III. Discussion Items

#### a. Timelines and Calendars

1. Nika would like to meet weekly to get more done and to keep each other up to speed, but leaves bi-weekly as an option.

2. Sally suggests that the board meets bi-weekly unless it affects productivity.

3. Emilie asks if the board will meet the same time for next quarters.

4. Christine suggests that Nika send out possible time slots for meetings so that people can review for the next weekend.

5. Board agrees to meet bi-weekly.

#### b. Sustainability Board Guidelines

1. Nika to go over what board is and its jurisdictions. She reads the section in the by-laws to the board regarding what the board is authorized to do.

2. Nika explains that the guidelines are broad.

3. Eric asks what the board is responsible for. Who was responsible for Dyson hand driers in restrooms in BSC? Powell answers, explaining that the Facilities and Operations committee provides many of those services within the student center.
  4. Powell explains that they're hoping that from the energy assessment, they can really make the most of this facility [BSC]; and in two years, the BRIC as well.
  5. Powell explains that as an organization, ASI does best it can to do best practices. As of now there is no set policy for procurement/purchasing. This could be a goal for the board.
  6. Nika expresses hope for having a replacement for Meaghan Smith, university sustainability officer, to get more in tuned with what the campus is doing in efforts of sustainability.
- c. Defining Sustainability**
1. Nika says that Cal Poly Pomona doesn't seem to have a single definition of "sustainability" that's been adopted by the campus. Meaghan Smith provided us with:  
**"...meeting the needs of today, without compromising the needs of future generations..."**
  2. Eric shows approval. It's all encompassing. Emilie also likes it, as it gives the board flexibility.
  3. Nika presents hope for a website for the board's efforts. Powell explains that as of now there is a tab, but no content on the ASI site for sustainability.
- d. Goals and Strategic Planning**
1. Ariane would like to see more sustainable measures taken on by the colleges. Senators can possibly go and pitch ideas to deans of colleges. Project to make bike racks out of all recycled materials. Alternative transportation. Campus aesthetics.
  2. Ariane would also like to provide outreach, tours on monthly or quarterly basis to LCRS, marketed.
  3. Emilie would like to see more art/interactive programs—making people more aware of the effect of their actions, i.e. using plastic bags. Provide more outdoor events to get people outdoors as opposed to inside BSC, using AC. Competition, decorating bins (current trash cans not appealing). Provide incentive (bags, t-shirts) for people who recycle, etc. \*GREEN SWAG\*
  4. Eric doesn't like the containers that supposedly separate plastic, paper, and cans. Likes Emilie's idea of decorating.
  5. Sally would like to see fun facts here and there around campus. Perhaps at the bottom of emails.
  6. Christine explains importance of leaving a legacy. Doing events that become part of the norm.
  7. Gabe would like to incorporate things learned in college of agriculture to landscaping on campus.
  8. Powell in response to Gabe explains that we do not have the authority to regulate the landscaping, but we can make a proposal.
- \*5 minute break\**

9. Members introduce themselves.
10. Nikki would like to emphasize use of bikes through big event in January.
11. Sony joins us from PowerSave Green Campus.
12. Ariane expresses that ENV is a good place to go for speakers.
13. Electric vehicles for on-campus transportation.
14. Emilie explains that BEAT could assist in programming; often times students go to BEAT board meetings to propose programming ideas.
15. Powell proposes talking to business services about integrating business services in disbursement process.
16. Proposed incorporation of sustainability in club chartering process.
17. Nika addresses incorporating Greek organizations → each org to have sustainability chair.
18. Sony states that UC Berkley does something similar with their Greek organizations.
19. Core goal should be to come up with an identity.
20. Members given task of looking more into their respective ideas.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

- a. Next Meeting:  
*Tuesday, November 6, 2012 3:00-5:00 PM, BSC, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Pegasus*
- b. Nika adjourned meeting at 4:57pm.