



## ASI Sustainability Board Minutes

2013-2014: Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM, BSC, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Senate Chambers  
Conference Room

### I. Preliminaries

- a. Call to Order: 10:10 AM
- b. Quorum Check:
  1. Voting Members:
    - Michael Adams - Present
    - Christine Hall – Excused Absence
    - Obi Okafor – Present
    - Martin Mares – Present
    - Marisol Aguayo – Excused Absence
    - Jasmin Byrd – Present
    - Brandon Sauer - Present
  2. Advisors:
    - Powell Velasco – Excused Absence
- c. Agenda Changes:
  1. No Agenda Changes
- d. Approval of Minutes:
  1. No changes to the minutes from November 5, 2013
  2. Minutes approved by chair
- e. Introduction of Guests:
  1. Dan Yuhasz - RS professor
  2. Nika Hemati – CSSA Sustainability Intern
- f. Open Forum
  1. Brandon stated that he talked to the project coordinator of the BRIC from Facilities Management and they said they can retrofit the energy efficiency of another building in order to fulfill a credit needed for energy efficiency from the LEED Certification as long as it's cost effective. They are looking at the BSC, changing daylight on the Southeast side of the building.

### II. Action Items

- a. None

### III. Discussion Items

- a. **Free Store Debrief**
  1. Event on Thursday during U-hour, possibly implementing it as a quarterly event.
  2. Needs to have more tables, less mess.
  3. More collaboration in between clubs is needed. Food Justice Club and Unicycle Club were involved.
  4. Need to discuss possible dates for next quarter.
  5. Bike Team was there doing bicycle repairs and maintenance.
  6. Involve councils around campus.
- b. **Project Homeless Connect**
  1. Canned food drive with Recreation Department.
  2. Try and include can openers with canned foods.
  3. Biggest hit is clothing.
  4. Resource Center Grand Opening on December 5, 2013.

5. We would most likely transport the donations to the center and spend some part of the day there.
6. Jasmin said that last year Nika rented out a room upstairs in the BSC open all day for people to drop off donations. They stayed there and separated the stuff all day. There was also music and coffee in the room.
7. Advertisements should start within the coming weeks.

**c. Dishware Program**

1. Michael says that Jasmin and he are working on a dishware program proposal to implement here at Cal Poly Pomona. This would allow clubs and organizations to rent out reusable plates, bowls, cups, and silverware for an event or meeting on campus in order to reduce the contribution of plastic, paper, and Styrofoam disposable dishware to local landfills.
2. OSLCC, Facilities and Operations, C & E, and Foundation are being talked to in order to see the possibility of making an already existing entity be responsible for the storage and renting out of the dishes.
3. Approval process is through the middle of December, and the funds should be delivered shortly after.
4. Dan says the dishes have to be sterile, cleaned before and after use. Informs us to contact the Lyle Center for storage and their commercial kitchen. Says really flat plates, and collapsible cups would help make it easy for students to use reusable dishes on campus all the time. Who would pay for the washing, the storage, the cleaning supplies.
5. Nika brought up that we should come up with all the details and then present it, we need a team of volunteers to show these administrators that we are prepared to implement it now.
6. Jasmin says we can have a soft opening, maybe Tuesday and Thursday U-hour and provide dish rentals for clubs during those times until it gets to be a more usable and realistically larger program.
7. Brandon talks about the Powersave Campus and their water conservation and efficiency project for Greenovation. They plan to install low flow showerheads into the halls, they are meeting with Chelsea Navarro of Housing and they are pursuing talking to Barney Wright. They want to install shower heads, possibly timers, and also posters or graphics to show what the water savings are. A similar program was successfully integrated in UCI and was a huge success. They have seen showerheads for as cheap as 8 dollars each. They want to really be involved in the education aspect of the water savings.
8. The Green Team is pursuing the white roof proposal, to paint buildings on campus with white roofs. Contact still needs to be made with facilities.

**d. Real Food Challenge**

1. A commitment signed by the University to change 20% of their purchasing power towards more sustainable, ecological, humane, local, and fair trade food rather than large food factories or junk food. It's been signed about 20 universities nationwide and the UC Board of Trustees passed it through legislation in 2009 to make it a system wide implementation. It's currently under review by the CSU system. Jessica Gonzalez is leading the RFC Task Force.
2. Dan says RFC is about getting as many students involved in wanting to change the food system on campus. Grassroots through student involvement is the

most important moving factor for Foundation and the university to want to sign this commitment.

3. Foundation is interested in moving towards a more sustainable future.

e. **TGIF- The Green Initiative Fund**

1. Michael explains what exactly it is.

2. It passed through the ASI Senate in 2010, and also the Fee Advisory Committee, but it did not make the ballot in the Spring Quarter.

3. Meeting is to be scheduled with Cora Culla regarding this student led fee referendum.

4. Greenovation is a gage to see how many people are interested in having a fund like this at Cal Poly Pomona. These are student led projects, with a big budget that would increase their skills on project making, and ultimately for the students.

5. How can this fund be implemented through Cal Poly Pomona's structure with ASI is the main question.

6. The possibility of making the coordinator to be the person who is in the Secretary of Sustainability position is an interesting idea and will be discussed.

7. Nika says that we should talk to JD about when these types of things expire and if we can move on with this or start over.

**IV. Information Items**

a. None

**V. Adjournment**

a. Meeting adjourned at 11:16 AM

b. Next Meeting:

*Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013 10:00 AM-12:00 PM, BSC, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Senate Chambers  
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