

Minutes of the Sustainability Council Meeting
Weds., Dec. 14, 2011, PH 150A, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.
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Present: Joyce Baumann, Marie Czarnecki, Mark Murphy, Robert Decker, Susan Halbritter, Jill Heintz, Lynn Igoe

There were two priority agenda items:

1. January Institute Workshop: Weds., Jan. 11, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., IT 226; capped at 25; currently 20 enrolled
 - a. Sue will spend 5 – 10 minutes overviewing the progress on the Report to Senate, as well as some of the major short-term goals
 - b. We are hoping Mike McHarris will spend 5 – 10 minutes sharing with the attendees all that Facilities has already undertaken to enhance Sustainability at MVCC (i.e., cover on pool to retain heat, fewer paint colors to reduce paint cans in landfills, etc.), as well as any major upcoming goals
 - c. We are hoping Jim Suriano will spend 5 – 10 minutes sharing with attendees all that Sodexo has already undertaken, as well as some upcoming programs, regarding Sustainable efforts (i.e., Trayless Tuesday, no more black plastic, etc.)
 - d. Joyce B. and Bob D. will provide the main presentation pieces regarding Sustainability initiatives (i.e., Carbon Footprint, photovoltaics, etc.) and are working together on a Jeopardy-style game for attendees to provide correct answers to Sustainability-related questions; Joyce has agreed to work on the questions over break
- Sue will assure there is a projector in IT 226
- Sue will work with Ralph to request some of the Council's budget for door prizes and game prizes, such as Sodexo mugs, reusable water bottles, etc. – possibly with our logo on them?
- Lynn is providing Green Tips for attendees
- Rich – if you could bring along the Digital Animation student's Recycling videos in case we want to show them? (We tend to doubt we'll need them with the timing of the presentations/game, but just in case?)
- Rich - We are hoping you have the Sustainability Council website up and running and populated prior to 1/11 so we can display it and announce to look there for updates
- We feel the Q & A should take place throughout the presentation
- We are hoping every member of the Council will be available to help with the game, answer questions, etc.

2. Request from Strategic Planning Committee for Measurable Sustainability Efforts

Don Kelly requested information from the Sustainability Council and we discussed the possible measurable areas for which we can provide statistics. Sue told the Council she would forward the email from Don Kelly to the members to discuss via email.

The SPC has proposed a new Strategic Plan for 2012-2013, which includes a Strategic Priority on Resources. One of the Directions under this Priority is "Implement Sustainability Initiatives." For the first time, we are trying to come up with measures that can be used at the direction level to assess progress. I've attached a draft with some ideas. If you get a chance, would you take a look at them and let me know your comments? If you have any other ideas, please let me know.

Thanks.

Don Kelly

- **Implement sustainability *initiatives***

- **Possible Outcomes:**

- By _____, MVCC's natural gas consumption will be reduced by _____% per square foot.
 - By spring 2013, MVCC's electrical power consumption will be reduced by at least 2% per square foot.
 - By 2013, recycling poundage per full-time person equivalent will increase by _____%.
 - By _____, MVCC's simple carbon footprint will be reduced by _____%.