

# *Student Government Association*

Environmental Affairs Committee

**September 25th, 2012**

**SGA Conference Suite**

**5:00 P.M.**

I. Call To Order at 5:00 P.M.

II. Members Present

- a. Dan MacSwain, Laurie Case, Taryn Oelson, Trevor Fuller

III. Introductions

IV. Environmental Affairs Chair Report – Dan

- a. Message in a Bottle
  - a. Successful, students are still able to submit their messages in drop off location.
- b. Subcommittee formed in SGA to revise bus schedule/route/hours
- c. Multi-Purpose Recreational space update
  - a. May need to have clause revised that says outlet can be constructed to help Shorewood golf course with reduce its Municipal water consumption.

c. Bike Shelter and Signage

Members supported ordering a sign

Laurie – stated that it would be easier to mount it on the bike shelter post at eye level.

Taryn- supported ordering an aluminum sign that would flow better with the red color rather than bronze.

Dan, - Trevor supported these ideas but said we should wait on making a motion to go ahead with this until we had heard from Kyle Zellner.

- d. Food day October 24<sup>th</sup>, Will Allen coming to campus.
  - a. Asked whether or not committee would want to set up a booth at the event.
- e. Beehive Collective “True Cost of Coal” October 25<sup>th</sup>

V. Open Floor Discussion

a. Dan

a. Talked about how he would like to have the sustainability fund project focus on awareness of issues affecting the Green bay area. Including water and air quality on campus. Installing hydration stations with artwork on the side stating facts of what the problems are and how people/ future homeowners can help solve them. Any type of project that would help all students develop a better “sense of place” and be aware of environmental issues impacting Green Bay.

b. Laurie Case – Faculty advisor and sustainability director at UWGB

a. Need to have an awareness campaign on Zimride (<http://zimride.uwgb.edu/>)

b. Would like to get RHAA involved with promoting Zimride

c. Dan said he would talk to RHAA to determine what we can do within housing.

d. Energy conservation/Recycle mania

Talked about the work being done with the waste management contract and how they are trying to create a contract that incentivizes recycling. Also noted that she was hoping there would be better tracking of waste at each dorm. Then the discussion transformed into talking about energy conservation and individual metering of the dorms and a need to gather more information. Dan then asked why did the university move away from individuals paying for their own energy consumption. Laurie stated that Steve Gering would be the person to contact with these logistics questions. Also noted that metering systems are expensive and have been difficult to get in the budget requests.

e. Eco-rep program

b. Taryn

a. Also liked the awareness campaign and had projects that had short facts stated nearby the project. Continued by saying there is a greater need for non-environmental students to be aware of the issues.

b. Thought there was a need to have smaller projects that let students/staff/faculty know that the committee is here.

c. Asked Dan if he could Ask Steve Zywicki about signage rules in the Union.

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c. Trevor

a. Wanted to create awareness for the fund as well. Had been talking with teachers within the biology community and they all had expressed interest in promoting the fund to their students.

b. In order to capture this awareness Trevor stated that he would like to have a few projects going on so there is more awareness of the fund.

d. Dan

a. Dan then asked Taryn if she could work with developing printed material for a booth in the Union which she took on and would have some material put together two weeks from now. Dan then asked Trevor if he determine a plan for contacting teachers and what we want to say in the classrooms about the fund. Whether this is an email, writing on white board, or going in and talking to students about the fund. Trevor indicated he could do this.

## VI. Development of Rubric of Priorities

a. Developed a preliminary rubric

a. Awareness of sustainability issues on campus that create a better “sense of place” for all students, faculty and staff on campus. With an emphasis placed on water and air quality within the Green Bay area.

## VII. Selection of a Vice Chair

a. Decided to wait for Kyle Zellner before a chair was nominated.

## VIII. Adjournment 5:45 PM