

Plant Utilization and Planning Meeting

Minutes April 17, 2014

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION TO BE TAKEN
Call to order	Pat Weiss called the meeting to order at 3:00	
Review minutes from March Meeting	Motion to accept the minutes. Moved and seconded	
Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PUP will report to Faculty Assembly April 29 • Fieldtrip – May 8 NOC. Meet in front of Hillman Library at 2:00 return by 5:00 • Senate elections – 3 people running for PUP • Officers for Next year. Pat is willing to continue. Susanna is done. Will need another co-chair (can be pro tem) and a new secretary since Nancy will be on sabbatical (can also be pro tem). 	
Priorities for Sustainability Working Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainability working group has been constituted and will meet for the first time next week. Will have representation of faculty and staff on sustainability issues. Pat Weiss and Kent Harries will represent faculty. Dan Marcinko will be chair. 	
Student Sustainability Symposium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held April 16, 2014. Student sustainability projects • 90 to 100 students attended along with Faculty and Staff • 5 projects presented by students • Administrative panel which talked about conservation and reduction. Housing, student life, transportation presented. 	
Facilities Management Report: Environmental Competitions – Dan Marcinko and Laura Zullo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEED – Pitt has six gold certificates (Cassell Hall at UP-G most recent). Pitt is pursuing 8 additional silver LEED certifications • Recycle mania – Pitt top 2nd -3rd in most categories (ACC group). • Green Work Place Challenge – Sustainable Pittsburgh (University Category: CMU Pitt Duquesne and Chatham) in 2nd place now. We expect to move ahead when we enter more points. Faculty and staff can pledge to do green things – can earn points this way. Competition ends May 31. • Panther Power Down Showdown – student led. Facilities provided meter data to students. September/October 	

	<p>were the baseline. Students reduced energy 127000kwh (reduced by 22%). Forbes Hall won.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pitt recognized for 3rd year in the <i>Princeton Review's guide to 332 Green Colleges</i> • Currently no standardized containers for recycling. Facilities has a proposal out for groups to bid on recycling systems. Looking at single stream services which will have fewer different containers. Think this will help us to recycle more and if we can give the recycling away, will reduce our cost (no haulage) • Engineering students looked at difference in water purity between filtered and non-filtered hydration stations– no difference. Filtered unit is more expensive to buy and to maintain (filters must be bought and replace). However, PUP members brought up that some buildings may not be safe. They have had classes test their buildings sink water and found it to be unsafe 	
Other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Defibrillators will be a summer project (David) • Request a presentation on defibrillators by Health and Safety. • Paul brought up the Tech shop in Bakery Square. Membership (\$125 mo) gives access to various tools (eg 3-d scanner, etching, water cutter etc). Questioned whether the University should have a facility of that kind for students to access. Many departments have some of these tools, but the equipment is generally not accessible to all. • AT & T has gone into the retail space 	David DeJong will address this a summer project Ask Jay Fererotte (EH&S) to come and talk next year.
Adjournment	Pat Weiss adjourned the meeting at 4:00	

Attending:

Nancy A. Baker
Kent Harries
Susanna Leers
Paul Munro
Joseph Newsome
Michael Ramsey

Mark C. Scott
Patricia Weiss
Daniel Marcinko
James T. Becker
Patricia Roncevich
David DeJong
Eli Shorak
Paul Supowitz
Laura Zullo
John Wilds
Irene Frieze