Green Campus Committee Meeting
September 20, 2011

Present: Kent Fairfield, Nyssa Schmidt, Shane Smith, Daniel Grassian, Cynthia Radnitz, Sylvia Colon-Cabassa, Alice Mills, Craig Mourton, Joan Leder

Discussion of our sign project

From last year’s meeting: Allen is working on specs. We need lamination. Half page size. He should get prices for 1500 and 3000. The adhesive should not destroy the walls.

We could also have a blurb on Webadvisor or Webcampus.

For putting the signs in residence halls, we need to involve the director of Residence Life.

We also need to know the price of different sizes and having more than one color.

For the signs that go in the dormitories and office buildings, we’re proposing the following text:

When you leave, don’t

forget to turn off

....the lights

.... all personal electronics (TVs, computers, etc)

...... room air conditioners

And, close the windows and doors

They could be vinyl. For $.50 a piece we could buy light switch covers. Kent will ask Elena Aronson about designing these.

Nyssa will look at prices for signs.

Speaking to Students about Environmental Behaviors

Kent brought up about doing a power point for students.

Kent agreed to speak to Business leaders of tomorrow about conveying the message. Sylvia agreed to contact the Dean of Students about incorporating the power point into Freshman Orientation.

Green House usage

Table this for next mtg.
Wellness Fair participation

Alice Mills presented the Wellness Fair. Attendees at the meeting signed up to help man our table from 10 am to 3 pm on Tuesday, Oct. 4. It will be held at the Fitness Center, and set up is at 9 am. Fifty organizations are involved. Themes include health, students' wellness and global wellness. Our committee themes are sustainability and increasing membership in the GCC and the student Green team. There are prizes for favorite table, a Dean of Students award and wellness award. Kent suggested it would be a good way to plant seeds for how students and other University employees can get involved in the committee and in other events such as the fifth annual River Clean-up. Craig suggested we display the posters. Alice should have two posters. We could also use posters from years past. Shane suggested we have computer websites available such as Gapminder.com. which displays statistical data—a number are related to sustainability. There is also a webpage where students can calculate their carbon footprints. Joan reminded us that if we need to use a computer, we should request a plug or make sure we have battery life.

Alice Mills volunteered to help with Earth Day.

Hackensack River Clean-up

We announced that there would be a Hackensack clean-up participation opportunity during a weekend in November and that we would try to put together a team.

Becoming a University wide committee

We would like to duplicate this committee on the Florham campus. We would work on our respective campuses but also work together.

Kent thought there was the making of a nucleus for another committee at Madison. Kent mentioned Amber Charlebois, Rich Salierno, Gloria Anderle were interested. It may be just a matter of building bridges. Joan is available on Thursdays for meetings. Joan will email Amber Charlebois

Ghandi walk?

We mentioned the Ghandi walk, but there was not a lot of interest.

New Business:

Daniel Wischnevski was approached by a sophomore about putting on a sustainability conference. Joan said that she might be interested in working on this.

Acknowledging Committee Member contributions

We will be writing a letter to the provost acknowledging people who contribute to the Committee’s activities.

Website
Joan is revamping the website. Now it is more available. Try www.fdu.edu/green

Next meeting: Wed. Oct 12 3:45 pm in the Joan Ludwiczak conference room