Environmental Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes of November 27, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Cutting calls meeting to order at 12:13 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Kathy Cutting, Justin Anzelc, Tim Rollins, Ainsley Shallcross, Riddhi Sood, Leilani Camarillo.

Absent Members: Corey Gazay

III. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Agenda

Motion: (Sood) to approve the Agenda.
Motion Carries.

IV. ACTION ITEM – Approval of November 20, 2013 Minutes

Motion: (Camarillo) to approve the November 20, 2013 Minutes
Motion Carries.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of the public to address the committee on any issues affecting ASI and/or the California State University, East Bay.

No Public Comment.

VI. INFORMATION ITEM: Earth Week Report, Director Environmental Affairs

Chair Cutting addresses the following:

- Had the first meeting yesterday with Michael Lee, Marc Cochran, Randy Saffold, Justin Anzelc, herself, and Stephanie Luna, they all were brainstorming ideas. They came up with an objective to get all departments on campus involved in participating.
- They’ll start to contact people in January.
- They’re going to try and get the provost to talk to the deans.
- The committee discusses different people and departments to talk to within housing.
- Tried to schedule a second meeting for next Tuesday at 3pm and welcomes the committee to come.
- Wants to get an idea of a budget before getting speakers and entertainment.

10:20
VII. INFORMATION ITEM- Sustainable Earth Club Status, Leilani Camarillo states the following:

- She talked with the person who plans on taking over the club and the person still wants to take it over.

12:31

VIII. INFORMATION ITEM: Greenovation Fund Grant Proposal Submission

Chair Cutting addresses the following:

- She submitted this yesterday.
- The grant was for them to get water bottles. She did an initial search on water bottles and has an idea of what water bottles to get.
- Found a place to get them for $4.14 a bottle. She asked for enough money to get 325 bottles which was about $1,500, and a little more than what they say they give out. But this is one of the first times this school has ever applied for anything so they have a good chance of winning.
- She went with the most reasonable, sustainably produced, and long lasting type of bottle that they could get.
- The committee discusses the refill stations and adding adapters to existing water fountains. They mention that facility’s is against the adapters due to vandalism.
- Corey Gazay asks if they are trying to get as many bottles into people’s hands as possible or if they are trying to get bottles that are recycled aluminum but they get fewer of those?
  - Chair Cutting mentions that she has asked people about this idea especially from other campus’s like Chico (they’re well known for being very sustainable) – do they want more people to follow the idea of refilling, or do they want people to use something that is ultimately the best product. She decided that due to all of the events that they want to have throughout the year, they want more bottles that are stainless. Stainless is good because it won’t deteriorate and will last longer. Chair Cutting further mentions that some people’s ideas of plastic are: why should they give up their small plastic bottle for just a bigger plastic bottle?
  - The committee discusses how people would be more prone to using a water bottle that lasts longer in comparison to one that doesn’t.
- Her secondary goal is creating pride.
- She will find out if they received the grant in January.

20:58

IX. INFORMATION ITEM: Town Hall Video Update

Chair Cutting addresses the following:

- She was supposed to provide her script by last Friday but she hasn’t done it yet.
- Discusses that it will be digital for people to view it.

21:50
IX. ROUND TABLE REMARKS
Cutting: Wants to know people’s schedule for winter quarter so they can schedule their tabling for the winter. The committee discusses when they’re free during the winter to table. For tabling, they also want to generate people’s interest in events. They will be tabling Wednesday from 10-2pm.

XII. ADJOURNMENT
Meeting adjourned at 12:48 PM.

Minutes Reviewed by:
Chair of Environmental Affairs
Name: Kathy Cutting

Minutes Approved on:
1/14/14
Date: