**Environmental Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes for February 21st, 2013**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair **O’Brien** calls meeting to order at **5:51pm.**
2. ROLL CALL

Members Present         Absent Members             Guests

Laurel O’Brien     Marrina Nation

Jeremy Dutra Tiffany Arnold

Kathy Cutting Michael Lee (Via Skype)

Rachael Santos Randy Saffold (Via Phone)

Rebecca Rainwater Rhiddi Sood

David Todorut     Krystal Phaneuf

Jennifer Cruz

Perry Hamilton

Majdi “Mikey” Aburnmadon

Andrew Weinberg

Zamil Alzamil

1. ACTION ITEM– **Approval of the Agenda**

**Chair O’ Brien approves the agenda.**

1. ACTION ITEM– **Approval of the February 7, 2013 Minutes**

**Motion: (Dutra) to approve the February 7th, 2013 Minutes.**

**Motion Carries.**

1. 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**

The committee introduces themselves as well as the members of the public.

1. ACTION ITEM– **YERT Screening for Earth Day: vote on date, time and location**

Chair **O’ Brien** highlights the following:

* YERT Stands for Your Environmental Road Trip
* Film Company that does outdoor adventures and related to environmental initiatives
* The committee watched the trailer at an earlier meeting
* $150-200 for the license and this will screen about 150 people
* Potential locations to show the film and dates are suggested

-Earth Day or days around

* Will be letting Jonathan know as soon as possible this is so he can purchase the license
* Member of the public mentions using club funding to purchase food to provide to students
* The committee will have to find out how many times the video can be showed on campus

**20:47**

1. DISCUSSION ITEM– **Sustainability Club: discuss name, format, connection with committee, etc.**

Chair **O’ Brien** highlights the following:

* **David Todorut** has offered to submit the application and take on the role as president
* Generated a lot of interest on Facebook
* How the club can be integrated and take the most advantage in regards to the committee

-**Dutra** mentions that the students can focus on incorporating sustainability policies for ASI

-**Todorut** mentions financing the events on campus

-**Sood** mentions that theclubcan serve as the face

-simplify the name of the club so that it can grab attention from all levels of students

* The committee highlights the logo
* The club can distinguish itself from others by only utilizing emails, Facebook and other non-paper programs, if need be recycled paper can be utilized.
* Printed out Stanford’s Green Event Planning Policy
* The committee highlights Earth Day events that other Universities put on
* The committee can come up with a resolution and have the board support it and this can become University –Wide events in regards to sustainability

**36:00**

1. ACTION ITEM– **Reusable Bag Give-away: decide bag type, discuss funding sources and other details**

Chair **O’ Brien** highlights the following:

* Purchase reusable bags to give away to students
* The committee goes over the kind of reusable bags that Chair **O’ Brien** brought in to show
* **Sood** mentions the partnering with Peer Advocates for Wellness since they do a campaign in which they give away things like this
* The committee further discusses different types of bags that can be purchased
* Chair **O’Brien** mentions the $800 allocated from PEIL
* Easily give away 1000 bags during the upcoming Earth Day Event
* Logo Continuity so that everyone can be familiar with it

-water bottles

-reusable bags

* The committee discusses the different colors the reusable bags should be
* The committee discusses fundraisers to get awareness about the club out to the student body
* **Garvin** is the head of Marketing and Design so his team may be checking on this
* By mid-March the type of bag should be decided on as well as the logo
* Marketing will have to come up with something that will be utilized campus-wide

**1:14:00**

1. DISCUSSION ITEM– **Earth Week Brainstorming**

Chair **O’ Brien** highlights the following:

* Different booths for the Earth Day
* Possibly having different agencies come in and rent booth spaces
* The committee discusses different activities that can take place during Earth Day

-films

-interactive earth games

-spin wheel for prizes

* The committee highlights different departments that can be transparent to the students during Earth Day
* Chair **O’ Brien** will be letting the college directors know about Earth Day
* There can be a mass email sent out to the club directors
* Mentions to the committee members the days and times of the board meetings and states that this is a place where the Earth Day initiatives can be discussed
* Also highlights the Eastbay 5k run and that waste management can provide bens and asked Chair **O’Brien** if they can come to campus and have an information session about recycling with the student housing
* Every department can participate in Earth Day

**1:37:50**

1. DISCUSSION ITEM– **Setting Sustainability Standards for ASI events**

**Motion: (Todorut) to table this item.**

**Motion Carries.**

1. INFORMATION ITEM– **Sustainability Conference March 7-8 at CSU Chico**

Chair **O’ Brien** highlights the following:

* Mentions that the committee can possibly go on Friday
* Many of the committee members mentions that they cannot attend the conference due to the dates that its being held
* Another upcoming one taking place at UC Berkley and is on the weekend

**1:40:13**

1. ROUNDTABLE REMARKS

**O’ Brien:** thanks the guests for attending the meeting.

1. ADJOURNMENT

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:31pm.**

Minutes Reviewed by:

**Chair of Environmental Affairs\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Name: Laurie O’Brien**

Minutes approved on:

**03-07-13**

**Date:**