

Sustainability Committee Meeting

February 10, 2017

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. EAD 291

Welcome & Minutes

- > Sandy Bauman, Chairman of the committee called the meeting to order.
- A motion was made by Betsy Friauf to approve the minutes and Mike Hollis seconded the motion. The vote carried and the minutes were approved.

Announcements

- Electric Vehicle Charge Station: The dual port station in lot 19 is operational and 2 spots are reserved for EVs. The outlets are operational as well, and 2 spots are reserved until 10am. See more information on the flyer or our website: https://www.unthsc.edu/operations/sustainability/transportation/ We have
- ➤ <u>UNTHSC's Week of Service</u>: First ever week of service will be March 27th through April 1st. All are welcome to volunteer, and you can choose from several events both on and off campus throughout the week. More details on signing up will become available soon. We are hosting two of the events:
 - o Community Garden Workday 2 shifts 11am-12pm and 12pm to 1pm on Friday March 31st
 - o Cowtown Cleanup City wide litter cleanup event on Saturday April 1st.
- Volunteer Opportunity: Volunteer on the Green Team at the Cowtown Marathon. Volunteers will act as educators at the recycling/compost stations. To sign up, go to https://signup.com/client/invitation/6775657374/1759327/false#!1759327/false/false and select the day and shift under Green Team. Volunteer slots are available on Feb 24-26.
- ➤ <u>Solar Powered Mobile Charging Stations</u> We'll be installing 2 solar powered mobile charging stations in the Library Courtyard this April. More details next meeting.

Subcommittee Updates

- ➤ <u>Community Garden</u>: The garden is completing its 3rd year, and doing well! We donated 18.5 lbs. to the student food pantry earlier this month which is our first donation of the year. We are planting 6 fruit trees at the garden and hosting several events such as a work day during the week of service, Spring Planting day (April 8th), education class at the Earth Day Event on April 20th, and the Dig Deep conference on July 22nd.
- ➤ <u>Campus Outreach (LEAP Program)</u>: We have taken 6 labs through the orientation process, and it is still our goal to certify 10 labs in the first year. We are also advertising financial assistance for freezer upgrades to more efficient models.
- Recycling and Campus Outreach: Recycling still needs a chair to get started. Any volunteers? Hadis is chair of the Campus Outreach Subcommittee. These subcommittees did not meet yet.
- > Bylaws Subcommittee meets only when needed.

Earth Day Event - Budget Vote

- An overview of Earth Day was given. The purpose of Earth Day is education, motivation, inspiration and exposure to new ideas.
- This year's Earth Day will take place April 20th, 11-2 pm in the MET building. There will be booths, food demonstrations with FitWorth and Blue Zones, organ tissue donation, a light lunch, givaways (insulated UNTHSC lunch bag), photo contest, free e-waste, document shredding, coffee experience, etc. The planning team will meet next



- > week to decide on passport design and volunteers. We will be asking committee members to volunteer.
- ➤ Budget A motion to approve the budget for Earth Day was made by Dr. Myles Quiben and seconded by Betsy Friauf. All present were in favor of accepting the proposed budget of up to \$7000 for expenses.

Comments & Suggestions

➤ No comments or suggestions were made.

Housekeeping

Meeting Adjourned at 12:50 pm. The next meeting is on April 11th at noon in EAD 524.