COMMITTEE: University Environment Committee
MEETING DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2017
PERSON PRESIDING: Erich Keil-Chair
SECRETARY: Sonya Hardin

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Sonya Hardin (Nursing), Erich Keil (Theater and Dance), Njinasona Randriampiry (Math), W.E. Hill (Environmental Health), Carolyn Willis (ALS), Clark Nall (ALS).

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Chad Carwein (Representative for VC of Student Life), Tony Capehart (Rep Chair of Faculty)

ACTIONS OF MEETING

Old Business

NESS survey: Available, a few schools in NC have utilized; there is a cost; for freshmen and seniors; There are 5 questions; it would measure student progress; cost is biased on size of university; 12,000 students is $500 dollars and then there is a registration fee and ECU is already paying the fees through student affairs; Administered by Student Affairs; Kathy Hill does assessment. To be discussed on April.

Star Report –Submitted; ECU got a Bronze award. We were three points from silver. We missed points that could get us the silver, which we will apply for in three years. The tracking of food that comes into campus would be an avenue to gain points. There are activities that are not in a procedure or formalized. We need to track and document better.

New Business

Recycle: W Recycling rate-Chad reported that there is not enough recycling bins, and the need for cultural change; desk side bins have not been requested by many for recycling. There are a dozen of purple containers for recycling. Recycling rate 25% - 27%. Terry Little recycling coordinator that works under John Gill. If we garner more bins, this will necessitate more staff.

Resolution: Suggested a joint resolution with Sustainability committee for a resolution related to improvement in recycling. The goal would be to have 75% of recycling occur in the buildings. Based upon waste report and recycling reports is used to base the resolution. The points should include:

Infrastructure Improvement:

Increase Pairing of bins indoor and outdoor
Deliver desk side bins to all faculty and staff
Increased bins indoor and outdoor
Increased Signage
**Human Resources**
Recommend hiring additional number of staff for recycling.

**Decision:** Erich will do a draft of resolution and then send out to the committee.

**Timeline:**
1) Information given to Erich before Spring Break

**Distribution for remarks:** Monday or Tuesday after Spring Break a rough draft will be sent out

**Other ideas-Discussion guided by W.E. Hill**
Unnatural Resources on Campus-Discussion, (reduce, reuse and recycle).
Buy coffee in a recycle mug
In front of bring wall; have hand sanitizer and provide education
Environment Blog-daily information about recycling
Thrifting- reuse; campus swap meet

**NEXT MEETING:** March 23, 2017 at 3:30pm in Rawl 142

Adjourned at 4:25pm.