Final

COMMITTEE: University Environment Committee

MEETING DATE: September 25, 2014

PERSON PRESIDING: Andrew Morehead and after election of officers Eban Bean

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Gary Levine, Rebecca Powers, Jill Twark, Eban Bean, Sonja Hardin, Monica Webb

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Bill Koch, Lauren Gunter, Eric Gardner, Chris Mansfield, John Gill, Brian Glover, Scott Lecce

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Andrew Morehead, Lori Lee

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ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Election of Officers.

Discussion: Faculty Chair, Andrew Morehead presented an overview of the committee’s charge and relevant handouts in member’s folder. He provided advice about the committee’s charge. Members had a discussion about committee members not being able to attend meetings due to teaching responsibilities. Morehead officiated on the election of officers. Candidates volunteered for offices.

Action Taken: Unanimous election. Chair -Eban Bean, Vice Chair- Jill Twark, Secretary-Rebecca Powers

Assigned additional duties to: none at this time

Agenda Item: Committee goals for the academic year

Discussion: Reviewed and discussed last year’s accomplishments and items listed on the annual report as business carried over. Bean opened the floor for suggestions of goals. The Members decided to carryover all items with some additional emphasis as described below.

Goal #1. Glover stated the need to work on signage for bike lanes. Gill stated that campus housing agreed to do marketing about it.

Goal #2. Keep up-to-date on sidewalk plan and growing needs. Morehead stated that the new superblock of student housing extends ECU campus into uptown area. Members discussed need to broaden sidewalk plan to include Tar-River Legacy Plan, West Campus, the Greenway and all areas of the city that connect campus to where students live.

Goal #3. Bean reported progress of the station and discussed placement of camera. Add to goal that committee members will work on marketing to classes and promote including it in curriculum where appropriate. Mansfield stated that the City is doing a stormwater assessment. Gill stated that the ECU is working with the City on this for main campus and College Hill. It was suggested that the City engineer attend a committee meeting. Bean will follow-up.
New ideas discussed by committee:

- Could the lighting on paths connecting to campus be motion detectors? (Mansfield). May be a safety issue (Koch).
- Need to create a “way finder” system on campus and into the community with distance information on signage to encourage walking and biking for a healthy lifestyle. (Mansfield) Concern about having too many signs but will work with Campus Rec on ideas (Gill).
- Need to maintain Greenway sections that connect to campus (Glover). Contact ECU parking and coordinate with City on this issue (Koch).
- What is our Carbon Footprint? Are we working on this issue? (Levine) There is a new person on staff who will attend to this matter and more information will follow. (Koch).
- What are the recycling efforts on game days? (Levine) Each parker is given a trash bag and a recycling bag. Big trailers are filled (Gill).
- Need to create a bio-diversity catalog for campus. (Mansfield) We have a heritage tree plan but nothing on fauna (Gill). Suggestion to contact Dr. Claudio Jolls, Biology about the possibility of creating it.

Action Taken: Discussion of ideas was lively and the full time of the meeting was consumed. All agreed to the goals for this academic year and to continue thinking about the new ideas shared.

Assigned additional duties to: None at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, Oct. 30th, 2014, 3:30 pm

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Update on progress on goals.