COMMITTEE: UNIVERSITY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

MEETING DATE: 10-27-11

PERSON PRESIDING: Brian Glover

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Joyce Buck, Jill Twark, Michael O’Driscoll, Helena Feder, Lucas Carr,

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Hunt McKinnon, Tom Pohlman, Margit Schmidt

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Lori Lee (Faculty Senate), Marianna Walker, (Chair of the Faculty), Karen Stephenson, (Aramark rep.), Victoria Banks (Eco-Pirates), Bill Koch (Parking & Transportation)

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ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Approval of September meeting minutes.

Action Taken: Unanimous vote

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Agenda Item: Last year’s sustainability survey: publishing and publicizing results.

Action Taken: none at this time (Bob Chin not present).

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Agenda Item: Discussion with Marianna Walker, (Chair of the Faculty) on collaboration with Aramark and revising committee charge to include safety issues.

Discussion: Examples include street lights; welfare of faculty, staff, and students; collaboration with Environmental Safety Committee and police; use of safety and security website; department safety representatives.

Action Taken: deferred to another time

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Agenda Item: Toxic toy reduction at ECU Childcare Services

Discussion: Helena presented a draft of a motion for elimination of toxic plastics and replacement with safer toys. It was noted that more information is needed related to toxicity of substances.

Action Taken: Discussion to be continued via e-mail.

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Agenda Item: Athletic Facilities
Agenda Item: Bus idling policy

Discussion: Jill solicited and received the Pitt County Schools Bus Idling Policy from the Superintendent of Pitt County Schools, Aaron Beaulieu. She will contact the city of Greenville to find out if the GREAT bus system also has a similar policy.

Action Taken: none

Assigned additional duties to: Jill to invite ECU Transit Manager Wood Davidson to next meeting.

Agenda Item: Alternate parking policies

Discussion: Brian working on (part of Master Plan). Bill Koch oversees parking. Bill Koch and Deb Garfi are working together on this. Discussed allowing users to share a parking permit (not marketed). Also discussed providing better bike facilities, including showers; roofing over bikes, including residence halls; providing bike repairs; adding and improving bike racks; providing air stations and bike repairs. Committee still interested in pursuing Biker-friendly status.

Action Taken: none

Assigned additional duties to: Lucas to work with Deb regarding the latter.

Agenda Item: Eco-Pirates and SGA: senior project

Discussion: Victoria not aware of a senior project. Eco-Pirates plan to focus on recruitment. Jaron Herring (President of Eco-Pirates) pursuing a grant to have a fair to promote the Environmental Health & Safety major. Power Shift to be in Ashville this year.

Action Taken: none

Assigned additional duties to: N/A

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM.

NEXT MEETING: January 26, 2012

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: TBA