University Environment Committee
Meeting Minutes 3/24/11

Presiding: Tim Kelley
Regular members in attendance: R. Chin, M. O’Driscoll, S. Crick, J. Buck, A. Gross-McMillan
Ex-officio members in attendance: E. Gardner, B. Glover, J. Gill

Guests: Tom Pohlman, Jim Kelly, Billy Gonzales, Wood Davidson, Jaron Herring, Emily Hall

1. Meeting began at 3:30pm with approval of 2-24-11 meeting minutes.

2. Bob Chin reviewed responses for Sustainability Survey of faculty as of 9:00am 3-24-11. Tim suggested that committee send out to faculty the responses/results received thus far to possibly lead to more responses. It was also discussed that survey could be run again at later date. The committee members agreed with both points.

3. The committee reviewed draft of 2010-2011 Annual Report and made some minor changes and edits.

4. Tom Pohlman suggested adding UEC annual reports to the sustainability committee’s website to further highlight efforts and collaborate together.

5. Aramark’s involvement in the committee (and if need was there to propose again that Aramark representative be added as ex-officio member of committee) was discussed. Feedback from Aramark staff and committee members indicated that Aramark representatives were active and attending meetings and this was more important that status as official member.

6. There was not status update or change with signage for “Green Get to ECU” days. Wood Davidson asked if there was any data on whether posts had influenced use of alternative methods of transportation on those days. Currently, there is not method set up to collect such data. The committee also discussed adding tag line or link to “Green Get to ECU” day e-mails to make them stand out or highlight particular effort. The next day is 4/4 and Brian Glover offered to develop tag line or find link to add to e-mail.

7. Tim Kelley encouraged members to assess their possible future contributions to the committee. He also discussed possible faculty members that could serve on the committee for Fall 2011. Several members’ terms may end this semester. Lori Lee will be consulted on terms and possible need for new members.

8. Other business: a) Jaron Herring discussed “Power Shift” conference and asked committee for list of efforts we are doing in terms of sustainability as a university. b) Discussion of proposed parking lot in Stratford Arms area. John Gill noted grounds department’s plan to inventory the trees in the area and save any possible heritage trees. c) Tim Kelley noted Earth Day events planned for ECU.

9. Meeting was adjourned at 4:33pm.