COMMITTEE: UNIVERSITY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

MEETING DATE: 4-26-12

PERSON PRESIDING: Brian Glover

REGULAR MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jill Twark, Michael O'Driscoll, Robert Chin

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Margit Schmidt, Bill Koch, Eric Gardner

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Michael Talton (ECU Facilities)

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ACTIONS OF MEETING

Agenda Item: Approval March meeting minutes.

Action Taken: Unanimous vote

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Agenda Item: Proposed sustainability signs

Discussion: Brian noted an e-mail from John Gill which indicated the sustainability signs were not approved. Committee members felt this was a worthwhile project and should pursue discussions with ECU Facilities to create a feasible plan.

Action Taken: Brian agreed to follow up with Facilities.

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Agenda Item: Michael Talton with ECU Facilities presented on the renovation of 14th street parking lot (in front of Belk residence hall). The project is time sensitive and must be done before fall 2012. The plans included porous pavers and the site is expected to control approximately 70% of water runoff.

Discussion: Brian inquired about possibility of sidewalk on the south side 14th street to link up to future greenway. Sidewalk was not in plans due to budget constraints and no existing sidewalk to link to. Michael proposed installing small wells under the site to gauge effectiveness of pavers. Committee members supported the use of the porous pavers to help control runoff.

Action Taken: N/A
Agenda Item: Presentation by Michael O'Driscoll on NCDENR grant proposal for stormwater-management rain gardens

Discussion: Michael presented on grant proposal that would include installing 5 rain gardens on campus to help control stormwater runoff and increase education on stormwater management.

Action Taken: Brian composed a letter from the University Environment Committee endorsing the proposal. The committee will vote on letter by e-mail.

Agenda Item: 2011-2012 Annual Report

Discussion: The committee reviewed the report and added additional pertinent items.

Action Taken: The report was finalized and will be sent to the committee for approval vote by e-mail.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Gardner