# ESC Meeting Notes

## October 28, 2015

## 5:15-6:30

**Attending**

 **Voting: 9**

 **Nonvoting: 3**

 **Guests: 6**

**Start Time: 5:16 PM**

1. **Announcements**
* Dr. Ken Mix appointed by Agriculture Department
* Final reports
	+ Katy contacted 8 reports total, 2 have gotten back to her.
* Mission/Vision Statements
* Project Rubric
	+ Will be uploaded to tracs this week, send out to future projects.
* Website update
* Brianne Willis Interpretive Signage Update
	+ Dec 7 or Spring 2016, Final Report
1. **Proposals**
* Bobcat Blend Signage Proposal Questions and Feedback
	+ Brought student that are effected by Bobcats Blend success or failure
* Feedback:
	+ **Make the programs and service more clear**
	+ **How does bobcat blend signage, outreach to these students? How are students outside of these majors effected?**
		- Presented to different groups, In example children, library,
		- Present at events and organizational fairs to increase their visibility.
		- Signage helps to show them what the waste is and how it then becomes a resource.
		- Students did not know terms like organic and compost, learning through active involvement.
		- Measurable: Willing to do a pre and post waste audit before and after signage. Compost knowledge study. Please add to proposal.
	+ **Student: How do you do outreach?**
		- Has a large impact in their learning, greenhouse, gardens.
		- Horticulture club- sale, Bobcat Blend was present and educated and demonstrated to the community
		- Any returns from those? People would come in and ask questions
		- Signage increases for recycling and trash, seem to stimulate student involvement.
	+ **Business plan for sustainability?**
		- Brought a comparison chart comparing different universities compost programs
		- None are fully sustainable
		- 5 year income generating strategy
	+ **Saving university money not Chartwells, outside funding sources?**
		- When going through the Channels, have been denied and told not to return.
		- Future funds: only applied when out of options. ESC and Grants
		- Not currently funded through the department, no department backing.
		- Why? No indication from them
		- Any funding through San Marcos- City uses Bobcat blend, they collect leave waste. Provide a lot of services without getting paid. Containers- could rent out and charge for pick-up.
		- Was not meant to be a business, is a teaching research and learning operation
	+ **Would like to see it institutionalized or outside funding.**
		- University power is in the hands of the students.
		- Possible petition for composting on Campus?
1. **Adjournment**

End Time: 6:28 PM