Environmental Services Committee

August 25, 2010

Start: 5:20 pm

1. Introductions
2. Nancy Nusbaum
   1. Hand out water bottles
   2. Common Experience update (see calendar on website)
   3. Sustainability Exploration
      1. Sept. 17 and 18, 23 applicants so far, funding from ewaste event, money will continue to be used in coming years
   4. Budget
      1. From last fiscal year (Sept. 1, 2009 to Aug. 31,2010)
      2. Available for this year = $38,166.97 + $67,000
      3. To be added: rainwater collection tank by agriculture building (applicant needs to bring specific pricing and design information back to the committee)
3. Chinese Tallow Project update
   1. Trying a new kind of herbicide
4. Conference travel for Dr. Janet Hale
   1. Application came in over the summer, and there was disagreement on the committee
   2. Discussion: Is this type of expenditure in conflict with bylaws or founding legislation?
   3. Next meeting: view solar drying video for which Texas State won an award
   4. Dr. Hale has volunteered to bring information from the conference back to the committee and students
   5. In the future, be sure that faculty travel funding has been sought elsewhere, and that the travel is related to a student project already approved by the ESC
5. Future project ideas
   1. Green Score of universities, website has list of projects other schools have done
   2. See if TXST can increase its green score and generate ESC project applications
6. Green fund increase?
   1. Board of Regents have limited tuition and fee increases
   2. Alix and Kayte will work on researching this
7. PROJECT APPLICATION: Fresh, the movie
   1. Maybe they should ask for funding from SACA?
   2. Applicants must attend meetings to answer questions
   3. Outcome: application tabled
8. PROJECT APPLICATION: Take Back the Tap movie
   1. Outcome: approved
9. PROJECT APPLICATION: Bobcat Blend
   1. Dr. Tina Cade would like to continue composting at LBJ Student Center and expand the program to include residence halls
   2. Motion to break the proposal into two parts
   3. Residence Life representative will be at a future meeting to discuss expansion
   4. Outcome: tabled
10. Tailgating
    1. Need better recycling and clean-up
    2. There is already a Common Experience project of some sort surrounding this issue

Adjourn: 6:57 pm