# Environmental Service Fee Committee Meeting

## May 3, 2018

**Minutes**

1. Proposals
   1. Meadows Center:
      1. Monarch Garden
         1. At the visitor’s center of the Meadows Center
         2. Cedar raised-bed gardens; system in place for upkeep; with interpretive signage w/University of Kansas; designed under UK guidelines for monarch habitat
         3. Requesting $4235.89; labor provided by Meadows Center and other org.s such as Master Naturalists
         4. Dr. Cade and Bobcat Blend can provide mulch at half the price notated in the budget
      2. Electric Vehicle Charging Outlet
         1. From the Meadows Center
         2. Opportunity to lead in sustainability
         3. No chargers currently at the University
         4. Climate change due to fossil fuel combustion affects waterways such as Aquarena Springs. University can encourage reduction in emissions.
         5. Rapid growth in use of electric cars
         6. No data on student use of electric vehicles at Texas State
         7. Location: Meadows Center
         8. Requesting ~ $12,800
         9. Questions: maintenance? Annual fee covers it. Who covers the annual fee? Potentially covered by fee to use the station
   2. Dr. Cade – funds change request for Bobcat Blend
      1. BB was granted Merrick Foundation funds. ESC funds were granted toward labor. Merrick for equipment. Trailer would recoup money now going to TDS for pickup and dropoff. Also, screener for compost that is of higher function and automated rather than manual. Merrick didn’t grant all the money, and other monies were for labor. Grounds is paying for trailer. Requesting change in funding from ESC from labor to screener. BB has $22,000 left in the ESC fund originally allocated for labor. ~$8,000 spent this semester.
2. Discussion Items
   1. Discuss Meadows Center Monarch Garden
      1. ESC budget for allocation: $35,000
      2. Approved, contingent on using Bobcat Blend
   2. Discuss Meadows Center electric vehicle charging outlet
      1. Need more information; would be a great location because there are 4 others proposed in the middle of campus currently; needs to contact University administration and relevant departments.
      2. Table pending more information
   3. Discuss Bobcat Blend funds change
      1. Transition of funds from labor to shaker for $14,000 approved
   4. What happened with the vehicle we approved pending housing in a department? Department not decided. Haven’t heard from Bobcat Bobbies. Facilities and Housing waiting on confirmation from him for housing.
   5. Elect chair for fall
      1. Daylon voted as chair.
   6. Time permitting – Two students request feedback on future proposals
3. Votes
   1. Vote on Monarch Garden proposal
      1. approved
   2. Vote on electric vehicle charging proposal
      1. tabled
   3. Vote on the Bobcat Blend request
      1. approved
4. Adjournment 6:14pm