



**ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
WEDNESDAY, MAR 7, 2012

**Time: 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.**  
**Place: OL 127**

**NOTES**

**Present:** L. Douglass, G. Hayes, H. Hove, C. Huscroft, N. McBlane, J. Murray, T. Owen, D. Parkes, S. Purdy, I. Rich, P. Tsigaris

**Regrets:** D. Crespin-Mueller, T. Dickinson, B. Klohn, J. Sparks, L. Tabata

**Observer:** K. Smith

**Scribe:** K. Boyd

**1. MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

P. Tsigaris in the chair. The meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m.

**2. ANNOUNCEMENTS & WELCOMING NEW EAC MEMBERS**

Peter welcomed Dr. Nan McBlane to the Committee. Dr. McBlane is a professor and Chair of Sociology & Anthropology.

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

*Moved by I. Rich, seconded by S. Purdy. Carried.*

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

*Moved by T. Owen, seconded by H. Hove. Carried.*

**5. MATTERS ARISING**

**Action Items:**

Kaitlin has contacted Kevin Scollon from Horticulture. He will present to the committee on April 4<sup>th</sup> regarding his work on an educational food garden at TRU.

**Bottle Water Free Day**

March 15<sup>th</sup> is Bottle Water Free Day. The Sustainability Dept may try to find space in Old Main to show a bottled water video. Signs will be put on water refill stations, water fountains, and vending machines on campus. A large sign will be placed by the water refill station in the Science building.

## 6. EAC and BUILT – NATURAL – HUMAN STRATEGIC PLANS/GOALS and TASKS

Results of the email survey were presented to the members. It was discussed whether some of the strategic issues listed in the survey could be grouped together under Implementation of the CSAP (for example water conservation or energy use). Food services may fall outside of scope of EAC and would be considered more technical work as opposed to strategic.

Suggested that EAC subcommittees meet within one month, look at the current CSAP update and report next meeting (April 4<sup>th</sup>) on new goals and tasks they would like to set. Determine what activities are relevant for the committee to move forward with, and what new issues should be added. Subcommittee membership as follows:

Built	Human	Natural
Judith	Crystal	Susan
Hoberly	Peter	Leif
Dale	Iris	Nan
Les	Dorys	
	Bonnie	

T. Owen noted that he and Kaitlin are available to attend any subcommittee meetings.

## 7. Implementation of Academic Plan

The EAC could create a group responsible for enacting the sustainability component of the Academic Plan.

**Action: Peter will inquire regarding the state of the Academic Plan implementation.**

**Action: Peter will contact Lauchlan regarding the Centre for Sustainability.**

**Action: Peter will submit the Environmental Certificate to the EPC's next meeting for approval.**

## 8. Water Conservation

The **Natural Environment** subcommittee could use Lisa Nielsen (5472, [lnielsen@tru.ca](mailto:lnielsen@tru.ca)) as a water conservation resource.

## 9. Funding for Sustainability Issues

University signed on to create a revolving green fund. Proceeds of energy savings will be split between paying back institution for retrofit and placing money into revolving fund.

## 10. Continuous Optimization Program

BCCOL Continuous Optimization Program nearing completion. Five other buildings (Trades, Science, Campus Activity Centre, International Building, and Arts & Education) will begin soon.

**Action: Kaitlin will contact Jim Gudjonson to present on energy savings at the May meeting.**

## 11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

### 12. Multi-function Device renewal

All major multi-function devices (machines that print, copy, scan, and fax) should have been

replaced. Many printers in A&E (specifically Psychology & Geography) have not been replaced in 7 years. An educational program is needed to stop unnecessary printing. After this current reporting period, the university will have 3 years of paper use data for the university.

**Action: Kaitlin & Tom will present paper use data to the committee after April 30<sup>th</sup>.**

### **13. Sweater Day – Feb 9, 2012**

T. Owen reported on the Sweater Day results. Was an excellent example of challenges and progresses made towards behaviour change on campus. Highlighted some areas of improvement with heat pumps in Science Building and Old Main temperature settings that may need attention.

### **14. Christmas Break**

University saved over \$12,000 during Christmas break by lowering thermostats.

*Meeting adjourned at 5:58 pm.*