**Los Medanos College**

**Sustainability Committee**

**Friday, April 15, 2011**

**Minutes**

**CORE Room 423**

**3:00 PM to 4:00 PM**

Present: Bruce Cutler, Kurt Crowder, Russ Holt, Shaun Regacho, Brian Delgadillo, John Henry, Danielle Liubicich, Frank Ichigaya

Absent: Jamila Stewart

**I Review Shared Governance Council Charges - Bruce**

The Shared Governance Council Charges were reviewed:

* Establish a purpose and related goals and objectives for the Sustainability Committee.
* Research effective practices of sustainability which are replicable at LMC.
* Develop, implement and assess sustainability activities on campus, including but not limited to: a Recycling Program and Earth Day Activities.
* Effectively inform students and staff about campus sustainability activities in which they can participate.

We discussed that we would address these charges at future meetings in order to develop a process for pursuing each over the balance of this and next academic year.

**II Review Goals Identified by Sustainability Committee Last Year – Bruce**

We reviewed the following goals that the Sustainability committee had pursued last year and had a brief discussion how they might be pursued this year.

Recycling Program

Frank is still in the process of indentifying where recycling bins will be most effective and will then proceed to acquiring them. Russ will speak with Dave Belman about student involvement including ideas for generating revenue for student sustainability projects.

Computer/Monitors Sleep Mode

The IT Department is still in the process of working with the manufacturer to resolve the technical issues.

Earth Day

The committee decided not to focus Earth Day 2011 which happens during the spring break but to focus our attention on Earth Day 2012. John suggested offering small classes on sustainability during next year’s Earth Day. He will bring in samples for Laney College.

Light Sensors

Russ will draft an e-mail to be sent out to the campus about the proper places to install motion sensors for lighting and ask for input from the campus community as to if any of these type of conditions exist on campus where there is not already a motion sensor.

Construction Projects

We would like to understand what practices are used in construction to promote sustainability.

**III Develop Plan for Balance of Academic Year – All**

1. Bins for recyclable products, hopefully made of recycled products.
2. Look into ways to promote sustainability on campus and at home.
3. Franks wants to look into paper dispensing products that allow use of all of the product rather than replacement of partial rolls with new.
4. Russ wants program for recycling of alkaline batteries. We have boxed for collection at the tool room, math lab and MESA. Are these for everybody? Is this a campus wide program?

**IV Identify Process for Electrical Conservation Contest Funds**

Russ will draft an e-mail to go out to the college community to explain the funds for the energy conservation contest. We will be asking for input from all as to sustainability projects that could possibly be funded from the money that came from that contest. Do we want to announce the amount of the fund? The sustainability committee will make the final decision as to which ideas are forwarded on to the business manager for approval per the contest rules.

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