

# UOIT Sustainability Committee

## Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2014

UA 4170

| Items   | Lead           | Minutes   |
|---|----------------|-----------|
| 1 Introductions   | All            | 5         |
| 2 New Terms of Reference Review/Approval                                | Melissa        | 10        |
| 3 Sustainability Policy Status  | Melissa/Murray | 5         |
| 4 Campus Market   | Melissa        | 5         |
| 5 Program Updates (plan, e-waste, EWB, Tree Planting, Gord Miller etc.) | Melissa        | 10        |
| 6 Reporting Standards   | Melissa        | 5         |
| 7 Open Discussion/New Items   | All            | 10        |
| 8 Closing Remarks/Final Summary   | Melissa        | 5         |
| <b>Meeting Length:</b>  |                | <b>55</b> |

| September 25 Action Items   | Responsible           | Status      |
|---|-----------------------|-------------|
| Review and provide feedback/propose edits for Terms of Reference  | All committee members | Complete    |
| Send study on Step Forward to Elisa   | Melissa               | Complete    |
| Send Talloires Declaration website info to Melissa  | Mary                  | Complete    |
| Circulate list and info of committee members  | Melissa               | Complete    |
| Call in option  | Melissa               | In progress |
| Meeting request. Covered bike parking. Find out what the students want. Provide them with a school map with locations of all the bike racks already in place on campus. | Melissa & Jeremy      | In Progress |
| Melissa will look into requirements for signatories (Talloires Declaration)   | Melissa               | Complete    |

### 1. Announcements and Additions to the Agenda

- Roundtable Introductions
- Terms of Reference – approved with minor edits
- October minutes - approved
- Terms of reference & minutes are on website
- Gord Miller, Environmental Commissioner of posted on the UOIT Ontario, will be presenting at UOIT on November 18<sup>th</sup>

### 2. Sustainability Policy Status

- The sustainability policy was presented at the Leadership Committee and was approved and since adopted at UOIT. A 5 year sustainability plan is being developed with initiatives relating back to the policy goals.

**3. Campus market**

- The farmers market was a success; farmers markets will run more frequently over the 2015 summer/fall season

**4. Program Updates**

- E-waste program – UOIT & DC initiative; proceeds to support engineers without borders
- The Blue Team will be tree planting this weekend (Nov 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>) in partnership with the City of Oshawa
- “Ban the Bottle” – water bottles will be collected and upcycled to a greenhouse. Tree seedling will be planted for future tree use
- Smart Commute campaign on campus will be initiated to encourage car pooling
- Paper transition to wheat paper in UOIT offices and 100% recycled at joint services is continuing
- A new project will begin shortly focusing in desktop printer reductions

**5. Reporting Standards**

- 2 options available:
    - Grading Standard (STARS)
    - Global Reporting Initiative
- A report on each will be presented at the next committee meeting

**6. New Items**

- Discussion on the number of electric charging spots there are on campus
- Reduced after hours lighting – a lighting audit was discussed
- A possible breach in recycling procedures has been identified in the UA

| November 6 Action Items   | Responsible      | Status |
|---|------------------|--------|
| Send link for engineers without borders                                 | Melissa Mirowski |        |
| Send out link for StepForward   | Melissa Mirowski |        |
| Present pros & cons for each reporting standards option at next meeting | Melissa Mirowski |        |