

UOIT Sustainability Committee

Meeting Minutes

September 25, 2014

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Present: Murray Lapp, Ken Bright, Holly MacPherson, Jeremy Greenberg, Melissa Levy, Mary Olaveson, Kate Gibbings, Elisa Beverley, Cheryl Rogers, Karyn Douglas, Dawn Regier, Melissa Mirowski

1. Announcements

- New Members Welcome
- Campus Market Details

2. Discussion Items

Introductions:

- Committee members introduced themselves

Program Intro and Update:

- Melissa introduced the new Go Green.Stay Blue Sustainability Platform and elaborated on the following program initiatives and updates:
 - Sustainability Policy drafted, edited, submitted- sustainability plan is now in development
 - Platform and branding “go green.stay blue”
 - Campus-wide literacy signage promoting proper waste streaming and responsible consumption.
 - 100 per cent incandescent bulb phase out across campus, helping meet UOIT’s energy-saving and waste-reduction goals.
 - Campus-wide transition to sustainably sourced printer paper.
 - Installations of hydration stations across campus, bringing the current total to 33.
 - Distribution of reusable water bottles for all students, staff and faculty.
 - Experimenting with recycling non-traditional items, such as writing utensils, through programs like TerraCycle.
 - Establishment of Blue Team: students committed to sustainable development on campus.
 - First event on Saturday, September 27th- Shoreline Cleanup
 - Establishment of UOIT Committee

- Restructure of Joint Sustainability Committee
- Increasing our presence on campus and in sector: move in day, involvement fair, board of Ontario College and University Sustainability Professionals
- Website up and running
- Campus Market - 1st ever October 7th
- Currently trying out a LED desk light pilot
- Forming partnerships with City of Oshawa and potentially Durham Region Partners in Project Green
- Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan
- Murray elaborated on infrastructure features/scattered initiatives
- Ken elaborated on the construction of buildings in 2002 and how in terms of infrastructure, the University is sustainable, and exceeded set standards. Arena 2005- Built by LEED standards. The adopted Philosophy was to construct to LEED standards without paying for certification

New Terms of Reference Review/Approval:

- Reviewed by Committee. Minor edits made during meeting. Members to review document and provide feedback/propose edits.

Committee Structure

- Explanation given by Melissa. Elaborated on in Terms of Reference

Sustainability Policy Status

- Murray provided an update on the policy submission and approval status:
 - Policy was developed in support of 2010 Going Greener statement
 - Policy has been reviewed by Leadership Committee
 - Now in Strategy and Planning Committee
 - One change- curriculum incorporation piece

Joint Committee Update

- Melissa discussed the re-structure of the UOIT-DC Joint Committee and their role regarding joint initiatives.
- Murray elaborated on the Joint Sustainability Committee level not being total decision makers. Provided example of paper (The University and College each wanted different sustainable paper. The conclusion was that UOIT only printers would have “Step Forward” paper. DC printers and shared printers would have the other brand of sustainable paper.)

Open Discussion/New Items

- Jeremy discussed the SA Bike club: students put together a group with the goal of increasing bike accessibility on campus. Would like bike capacity increased and additional, covered parking
- Ken added that campus master planning expansions include bike paths and are bike friendly
- Mary referred to the Talloires Declaration for Sustainability (1990 Talloires France) ULFSF University Leaders For Sustainable Future. 38 in Canada, UOIT not on the list
Melissa will look into requirements for signatories

Closing Remarks/Final Summary

Meeting adjourned 11:02am

Next Meeting TBD

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