

Sustainability Committee

January 10, 2012

Minutes

Attendees: Mia Casey, Scott Lankford, Beckie Urrutia-Lopez, Janice Carr, Brenda Visas, Madellyn Hill (student intern)

1. Review of Committee Goals & Membership

Mia reviewed the history, goals and planning that has happened around the committee, particularly the establishment of the Center for a Sustainable Future and its mission last summer.

2. Review of Current & Proposed Initiatives

Beckie Urrutia-Lopez and Brenda Davis Visas reported out regarding transportation plan developments. Beckie discussed the adoption of Zimride, and Brenda reviewed her progress in fundraising toward the bicycle path. Mia gave a brief review of the work out at the Foothill Teaching & Learning Garden. Middle College has been going out and helping to get the garden in shape for spring planting. Gillian reviewed the planning for Earth Week events. A new initiative, Meatless Mondays was proposed. This is a global movement to encourage people to eat more sustainably (and more healthy). There are six tabling events planned offering information and free samples of yummy vegetarian foods. Pacific Dining agreed to offer Meatless Mondays specials, and ASFC is funding the cost of the food samples and materials for the events.

3. World Water Day

Mia discussed the planning for World Water Day on March 22. Middle College will be participating in events, and we have 6-7 groups tabling in the center and offering information on local water issues.

4. Goals and Planning

Mia discussed with everyone the need to begin revising the Sustainability Management Plan and Climate Action this Spring. She asked for any other goals or ideas folks had with regard to sustainability planning.

5. Student Interns

Two work-study student interns will be assisting with initiatives on campus. Madellyn Hill and Daniel Hardin will be working on projects for the Center, including the Meatless Mondays initiative.