



The College of New Jersey

PRESIDENTS CLIMATE COMMITMENT COMMITTEE

Committee

- Curt Elderkin, Assistant Professor of Biology (elderkin@tcnj.edu)
- Larry Gage, Assistant Director of Counseling Services (gage@tcnj.edu)
- Michael Horst, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering (horst@tcnj.edu)
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- Nadine Stern, Vice President of Information Technology (stern@tcnj.edu)
- Meagan Terry, Student Government Association (terry4@tcnj.edu)

Staff to the Committee

- Curt Heuring, VP for Facilities Management, Construction and Campus Safety
- Judy Wingenter, Secretarial Assistant—Facilities Management, Construction and Campus Safety
- Lynda Rothermel, Campus Architect and Director of Planning
- Lori Winyard, Director of Energy and Central Utilities

Date: 5 June 2007
Time: 10:00am-11:30am
Location: Administrative Services Building, Room 203

Meeting Notes

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| 1) Co-Chair Michael Horst began meeting by reviewing minutes. | Horst |
| 2) Members shared findings of their assigned tasks: | All |

L. Rothermel – Reported on LEED. Discussion related to various aspects of LEED certification—design to be certified vs. achieving certification, payoffs, costs.

L. Gage – Reported on estimated cost savings by purchasing Energy Star appliances (i.e. dorm/apt. refrigerators, computers, monitors, etc.).

C. Perry – Reported on public transportation. Discussion encompassed need for convenience, comfort, access, awareness, enhancing routes, and developing creative incentives.

L. Winyard – Solar energy and wind energy was discussed. Lori will be speaking with a consultant to address the committee regarding greenhouse emissions.

C. Elderkin – Reported on travel costs. Discussion led to determining costs of car and air travel and finding equivalent offsets.

M. Horst – Suggested that collecting data (i.e. from DOT and EPA) in order to compile a comprehensive inventory of all greenhouse gas emissions could be a project for a student assistant.

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| 3) C. Heuring – Reported the President’s idea of exploring grant money to help with initiatives. | Heuring |
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Keith Dewey, Director of Grants and Corporate and Foundation Relations will join the Climate Commitment Committee to help find grant money.

Also reported was the discussion with J. Marcy and B. Wineberg regarding the use of endowment monies to support initiatives. Curt will discuss this with the President and ask for her support in using endowment monies.

- 4) It was agreed that a memo will be drafted to the President reporting the goals and recommendations to satisfy the immediate terms of the commitments. Horst
Heuring
- 5) The Committee agreed to the following actions and recommendations: All
 - Adopt an energy-efficient appliance purchasing policy.
 - Encourage use of and provide access to public transportation for all faculty, staff, students and visitors.
 - Establish a policy or a committee that supports climate and sustainability proposals at companies where the College's endowment is invested.
- 6) Next Meeting – Wednesday, June 27th at 10:00am in ASB 203 All