



The College of New Jersey

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Date: 1 July 2008

Time: 3:00 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.

Location: Administrative Services Building, Room 203

<u>Meeting Minutes:</u>	
I. Minutes were approved with spelling errors corrected.	C. Heuring
<p>II. M. Terry conducted a presentation to the committee about criteria for projects regarding carbon offsetting and carbon credits for air travel. It was reiterated that any company that was used needed to be certified.</p> <p>Discussion ensued. W. Fatton reported that NJDEP is in the process of developing a program for carbon offsets, but PSE&G doesn't offer any at this time. She also reported that Isles has many projects, but suggested we need to see the project sites. After researching, it was noted that New Jersey doesn't have local carbon offsets, so we may not be able to stay local with this initiative. It was then suggested that we contact other colleges that have bought offsets to get their input. Some ideas to find projects were to invite an expert as a resource to speak with committee, check resources from AASHE and HEPS, and go to The Climate Trust website to check projects that are closest to us--maybe regional projects, cost efficient projects and projects that meet most of the criteria.</p>	M. Terry
<p>III. Updates/Open Issues:</p> <p>a. Energy Star purchases-language is now in all contracts regarding Energy Star purchases.</p> <p>b. Climate Neutrality Plan RFP-L. Gage will follow-up with M. Mehler regarding the mailing of the RFP by early July.</p> <p>c. Sustainability in the Curriculum-it was reported that through discussion with professors with such interest, the core elements of sustainability curriculum should include sustainability, general climate change, and how sustainability fits in a student's life at TCNJ. Chris Alt, an interactive media professor will be contacted regarding specifying and</p>	All

<p>measuring learning outcomes of such curriculum. This is a very broad topic and needs to be a collaborative effort.</p> <p>d. Website-M. Terry is working on the website using Contribute software. She is doing links to things such as “Story of Stuff”, U-Tube, recycling initiatives, our carbon footprint poster and information, M. Horst’s presentation to the Board of Trustees, A. Mathe’s presentation to accepted students event, CCIC theme, and links to curriculum. It was suggested we do a “hit” analysis and create a sustainability blog/suggestion box.</p>	
<p>IV. Other:</p> <p>a. Feasibility of wind turbine was discussed. K. Dewey shared that through a grant, we have obtained 2- 100ft high anemometers. A public hearing will need to be held to approve location of installation and obtaining permits. It was suggested to contact L. Rothermel for location suggestions. Target date to install is at least by March 2009.</p> <p>b. Committee members have been approached by campus community regarding the development of a shuttle service from public transportation (i.e. train stations) to the campus. C. Heuring will look into this.</p> <p>c. Sustainability Group—it was thought that a “subgroup” of the PCCC should be developed. This group would move the social issues forward by networking with other people on campus (such as B. Ball) and get closer involved in specific events. W. Fatton suggested inviting speakers during September and October to meet with the PCCC. Some suggestions of people to invite were, Dr. Ball, Dr. Grega, and Dr. Bresnahan as well as people outside the campus community. This would keep the committee focused on the original initiatives in the President’s Climate Commitment.</p>	All
<p>V. Next Meeting – July 15, 2008-- ASB 203.</p>	