Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

* Ian Hamilton calls the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m. on February 15, 2018 at the back patio outside DSU food court.
* SGA Senators present:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Senator | Present |
| Ian Hamilton | Y |
| Anna McAvoy | Y |
| Dallas McKinney | Y  |
| Adam Rogers | Y  |
| Jayden Thomas | Y  |

* Also present: Dr. Christian Ryan, Cara Walters, Chelsea Faught, Courtney Martin, Noelle LeGrand, and Veronica Johnson.
* Total committee members present: 11

**Agenda:**

● Sustainability Presentation by Noelle:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1wqJJYpkOpCgHh2S5a6Xb0rlVOy0gukDT>

● Members of the committee introduced themselves and told why sustainability is important to them.

● Committee talked through current sustainability issues and possible initiatives on campus, and set the following goals:

* Short term—Make sure there are volunteers to collect unsold food from Community Farmers’ Market on Saturday afternoons
* Middle term—Advocate for more native and edible landscaping on campus through student led initiatives
* Long term—Teach campus how to compost; Mitigate food waste from restaurants on campus and in the community

● Earth Day Festival Update

Dallas and Dr. Ryan will set up a meeting with Madonna from campus dining admin to discuss options for food during Earth Day Festival.

● Trex. Co Progress

It does not look like the 500 lbs. of plastic bags collected threshold to win the bench will be reached by contest’s end in April.

More plastic bag collection bins are being distributed, and committee will table at events to pass out reusable bags, collect plastic bags, and further promote initiative.

● Textbook Program

Anna and Adam are waiting to hear back from WKU Bookstore “higher-ups,” so they can continue on the path to creating a SGA used textbook library.

● Fliers for Movie Series were handed out to committee members to be distributed across campus.

● Next meeting will be held at conclusion of Dark Side of Chocolate Movie next week on Thursday, Feb. 22

● SuCo meetings will become biweekly with following meeting on Mar. 8

● Announcements

**Future Events:**

Interfaith Workshop on Sustainability and Social Justice- February 16-17, 2018

Fix It Fest- February 28 12-5 PM

Earth Day Festival- April 19 10 AM-2 PM

**Movie Series:**

February-Dark Side of Chocolate Feb 22 5:30 DSU 2086

March-Chasing Coral March 22 5:30

April-Bag It April 19 5:30

* The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.