

Clean Energy Committee Hearing

Monday April 25, 2016

3:15-4:00PM

Members Present: Yesha Maggi, Rhianna Hruska, Jonas Upman, Stephen D'Annibale, Alexis Cariello, and Jeanne Rynne

Ex-Officio Member: Scott Morgan

-CEC student members should fill out the CEC position sheet given out by the Chair and bring it on the weekly meeting this Wednesday April 27th at 5PM

Yesha: Updates from last hearing

-Sustainability Circus: no problem with funding the food since it was for a workshop and the way the food was being handled

-workshop that required the hand-washing station was not held and the money was re-allocated

Jonas: SPAR updates

-have not received a SPAR from Joe Anderson since the event is already completed

-Scott Morgan has submitted a detailed SPAR about the walking desk project

-Graphene Battery group has submitted a SPAR and let us know that Evergreen does not have the proper safety facilities to actually build the battery, but they are continuing research

-Bryce da Camara's project had a delay, but research is still continuing on the project and they do not currently need CEC help

Yesha: Budget for Next Year

-allocation of summer stipend for the current CEC Secretary/Treasurer, Rhianna Hruska, to have a summer stipend of \$1, 366 to be Chair of the Clean Energy Committee over the summer

-Approved

-the Chair of CEC over the summer may have the office across from the Director of Sustainability

-Office spaces within Student Activities: staff will go over the process in a meeting tomorrow morning and should have a final process by tomorrow afternoon

-draft operating budget for the 2016-2017 academic school year

-looking for feedback on the budget

-speaker event budget was not used this year, but should be used next year

-estimate budget for CEC to go to WAHESC in February 2017 at Gonzaga University

-can try and get the early bird rates if the budget is approved ahead of time

-S&A Training Retreat in the Fall included as well, CEC attended this year and had that in their budget as well

-check how much it would be for the 2016-2017 school year

-networking is relevant and it may be required for next year

-could have a different orientation for members who could not attend

-CEERA budget could be included

-way the funding is being applied for has changed

-may not need to have a separate amount put aside since faculty request what they need with a specific budget

-CEC Retreat/Orientation at the beginning of the quarter planned by the Summer CEC Chair

-look for local events that CEC could go to at the beginning of the year

-next Winter's ballot option: reducing the Clean Energy Fee

-possible to cut the amount we are paying towards renewable energy credits to put more towards carbon offsets

-could be possible to get a matching fund through college money before applying for the Clean Energy Fund

Scott:

-off the grid Earthship on campus, who would maintain the Earthship

-check in with the faculty about what speakers they are bringing to campus

-could collaborate with programs

Rhianna:

-explore options for speakers to bring to campus for the 2016-2017 school year over the summer

Alexis:

-discussing hiring CEC members for next year

-review of projects

-Project Outreach Applications – only one application for Fall 2016

- jobs close on the end of the day Friday May 6th
- cannot interview for jobs that you are also going for
- need to ask all the candidates the same question
- Is there anything you wish I had asked? (could be included in the interview process)
- talk about scheduling and get back to it

Connor Murphy, Farm Manager:

- Farm manager looking for funding for a walking tractor
 - two wheel, can be switched out with things put between it
- more equipment so students can access that equipment and learn how to cultivate with them
- alumni have moved on from the farm program and started their own farms so this experience is useful for Evergreen alumni
- looking to see if this is a good fit for Clean Energy Committee funding
- most relevant for resource management, name benefits
- anywhere partial funds may be acquired would help lower the costs that CEC will need to cover
- bring a detailed and itemized budget
- David Muehleisen currently teaches the Spring 2016 Practice of Organic Farming course, which also continues into Summer 2016
- picture and description of the walking tractor for the hearing and to attach those documents as files in the application
- since Connor is an Evergreen staff member, Connor can sponsor the project when filling out the online application