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Student Environmental Initiatives Fee Committee Minutes

March 26, 2019 11:00am

Black Cultural Center, Room 103/104

- I. Welcome - Call to order
 - a. Roll call

- II. Updates
 - a. Active FY 17/18 SEIC approved proposals
 - i. *An Experiential Learning Project to Create a Green Space*
 - 1. Project is complete. Will be removed from update list.
 - ii. *Match Funding for Two Rain Garden Installations at Stokely and BESS*
 - 1. BESS rain garden installation is complete. Stokely install schedule has not been set.
 - iii. *Alternative Fuel and Electric Vehicles Assistance Program*
 - 1. An electric Club Car is under consideration for Env Health and Safety.
 - iv. *PLAN Assessment*
 - 1. Project is complete. Will be removed from update list.
 - v. *PACE Bike Share Program*
 - 1. By March 2020 program will be complete. The Design/Research fund project *A Quest of Transportation and Environmental Impacts of Shared Bikes and Other Potential Technologies* will provide insight as to whether we continue.

 - b. Active FY 18/19 SEIC approved proposals
 - i. *Request for Funding to Complete Campus Wide Hand Dryer Installs*
 - 1. Budget transfer underway.
 - ii. *Energy Efficiency Proof-of-Concept Retrofits for Hodges Library*
 - 1. Discussion of timeline/deadline underway. Likely to roll into FY 20.
 - iii. *Study Abroad Program*
 - 1. A transfer for Spring 2019 semester will occur in March. Final program guidelines will be published by end of Spring 2019 semester for FY 20.
 - iv. *A Quest of Transportation and Environmental Impacts of Shared Bikes and Other Potential Technologies*

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- c. Complete FY 18/19 SEIC approved proposals
 - i. Tree Inventory and Community viewer
 - 1. Software program has been purchased for one year. Project is closed.
 - ii. Wood Waste Reduction
 - 1. 16” chipper is on campus and in use by UT FS. Project is closed.
 - iii. *UT Recycling Academic Internship Program*
 - 1. Program is underway.
 - iv. *Potable Water Irrigation Reduction using Weather Station*
 - 1. Out for bid. Expected to be complete by mid-April.
- d. General
 - i. Facilities Reorganization 2.0 will impact Office of Sustainability and UT Recycling.

III. Discussion

- a. FY 2019 Budget
 - i. Update to running budget
 - ii. Renewable Energy Credits/Original purpose of Green Fee
 - 1. *This discussion took 20 minutes and was not finished, tabled to the April meeting. Generally, a consensus was reached to consider tabling the FY 19 purchase to FY 20 to allow the Preston Jacobsen to provide better alternatives, which may include;*
 - a. *On site generation*
 - b. *Local REC support via PPA*
 - c. *Virtual PPA (national scale)*
 - d. *Building a renewable fund for larger projects years later*
 - e. *Ending the REC program and focus 165k/yr on energy conservation*
 - iii. Student Conference Fund (limitation to number of students attending)
 - 1. Established in 2014, needs updating to include limitations.
- b. Proposals
 - i. *Long Term Bike Rentals for Transportation*
 - 1. *Not approved.*

IV. Open Discussion; Comments, Questions, etc.

V. Adjourned at 12:25pm