
MEETING NOTES

Wednesday 16 January 2013 / 9:30 – 11:00 am / AH 206

MEMBERS T Chase (Chair), K Arbuthnott, L Benko, J Crivea, A Dipple, D McMartin, N Wagner, J Woytuik

RESOURCE C Reyda

GUEST Douglas Wagner, Senior Engineer in Residence, Faculty of Engineering

ABSENT K Petersen

1. **Call to order at 9:30 am; agenda received without changes.**
 2. **19 December 2012 meeting notes received without changes.**
 3. **Identifying electricity savings on campus** – Doug Wagner, Faculty of Engineering, joined the meeting with a presentation and handout (APPENDIX I). He has been working with Facilities Management and Engineering students to identify electricity savings on campus and, in particular, the installation of motion sensors to control lights and reduce energy use. He spoke on the work he does with students gathering data on cost savings specific to energy on campus. PACS supports the initiatives and has encouraged him, with support from Anna Dipple, to seek additional external funding sources from groups like RPIRG.
 4. **Business Arising from the 20 September 2012 meeting notes:**
 - i) ***Pesticide/Herbicide Usage*** - Nelson Wagner updated PACS members on current pesticide/herbicide usage by the Wascana Centre Authority (WCA) at the University of Regina. Nelson, Pat Patton, Director of Campus Security and Darren Cherwaty, Director, Health, Safety and Environment, met with the WCA to discuss the issue. Nelson Wagner suggested a two part plan with the development and creation of a sustainability strategic plan (long term) and the formation of a working group (short term). PACS supports these two courses of action with the understanding that Nelson Wagner will act as liaison between the working group and PACS.
- Business Arising from the 07 November 2012 meeting notes:**
5. ***Regina's Edible Campus*** – Committee members discussed the promotion of the community gardens on campus by making better use of the PACS webpage, U of R social media tools and strengthening the continued collaborations with the school divisions. ***As a committee, PACS members will use a portion of***

the June meeting to help with garden maintenance.

6. People's Sustainability Treaty on Higher Education –

PACS will need to see more outcomes before committing to this initiative and making an educated and well-informed recommendation to the President.

7. U of R Sustainability Champions

Jocelyn Crivea provided an update on her initiative to create sustainability champions. At this time, committee members will designate their effort into the development and creation of the sustainability strategic plan. Through this process the emergence of sustainability champions should happen organically. With preparations for for the University's 2014-19 strategic plan on the horizon, PACS members agree that it is key to include sustainability foci.

8. Compost Study Report

A draft student proposal has been received with the final report to be completed in February. A copy of this report will come to PACS for discussion in February.

Business Arising from the 19 December 2012 meeting notes:

- 9. Hard Rain Project** – Lyle Benko spoke to the document attached as pages 7-16 of the agenda. Hard Rain is looking for host institutions for their exhibition in 2015. The exhibition responds to the UN Sustainable Development (SDG) initiative. A fee of £4,000 is expected. They are looking for agreement in principle to host the project.

OTHER:

The RC Recognition event will be held in Nipawin on 8-9 May 2013. Carol Reyda will take the lead on the development of the applications and submit them Brenda in time for the 1 April 2013 deadline.

Lyle Benko and/or Roger Petry have been asked to participate in the RCE meeting being held in Lima, Peru. The meeting may be of interest to those individuals with research connections and interests.

- 10. Report on the international study of turnaround leadership for sustainability in higher education –**
received for information only.

11. For future PACS discussion:

-Discussion on the University's position on its carbon footprint and how to strategize and create solutions for staff travel.

-PACS will receive an update on the Print Optimization project from Ray Koneski for the next scheduled meeting.

-Optimizing classroom scheduling and building use with help from the Registrar and Nelson Wagner.

-Sustainability and its contribution to the policy renewal project. Carol Reyda will connect with Annette Revet.

12. ADJOURNMENT at 10:53 AM

NEXT MEETING 6 March 2013, 9:30 – 11:00 AM (tba)