

Campus Sustainability Fund Committee Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2015 – 4:00 to 5:00 PM – Gerberding 142

Attendees
CSF Committee: Graham Golbuff, An Huynh, Kayla Schick, Colin Butler, Erin Sofinowski, Carolyn Hartman, Natalie Gray, Connor Birkeland
Guests: ReThink Team, Kincaid Ravine Hydro. Team, Sean Schmidt, Daimon Eklund, Jim Angelosantos, Claudia Frere, Student Guests

Agenda		
Time	Item	Presenter
1 min 4:00-4:01 PM	Approve 1/30/15 Minutes Approve 2/6/15 Agenda	Committee
2 min 4:01-4:03 PM	Update on Round 1 Projects	Kayla
10 min 4:03-4:13 PM	1. Discussion of FY16 SAF Ask	Graham
7 min 4:13-4:20 PM	2. Discussion of Eligibility Criteria for CSF Asst. Positions	Committee
7 min 4:20-4:27 PM	3. Discussion of Standing Committee Mtg. Time for Spring	Graham
15 min 4:27-4:42 PM	4. Project Presentation: Kincaid Ravine Hydrological Assessment	Project Team
15 min 4:42-4:57 PM	5. Project Presentation: ReThink Resilience Challenge	Project Team
3 min 4:57-5:00 PM	Reminders, Wrap up, Adjourn, and Bowl!	Kayla

Meeting Summary: On February 6th, 2015, the CSF hosted the last of its final project presentations (items 4, 5) and took time to discuss CSF internal orders of business. These items included determining the CSF's next grant request (item 1), the future criteria for students employed by the CSF (item 2), and the proposal of a potential set time for CSF meetings in future quarters (item 3).

– COMMENCE MEETING –

Motion: Approve January 30th, 2015 Minutes (Natalie) – APPROVED

Motion: Approve February 6th, 2015 Agenda (Kayla) – APPROVED

Update on Round 1 Projects – Kayla

- Final two presentations today!
- Signs/Benches group unable to present. Prepare questions via email.
- Three projects have withdrawn their proposals:
 - Island Composter – Got Funded!
 - Transit Screen – Better proposal in the works.
 - Husky Cards at UW Farmer’s Market – Discussing the order of operations. Better proposal in the works!
- Six remaining projects to choose from this round!

Discussion of FY16 SAF Ask – Graham

- Based on our Ask Poll, we have determined:
 - A preference for an ask between 415K and 410K
 - The minimum amount of Large Projects Fund: 90K
- In the future: strategizing the maximum amount of the large projects fund.

Motion: Approve 415K SAF Asks– APPROVED (6 in favor, 1 abstaining)

Discussion of Eligibility Criteria for CSF Assistant Positions – Committee

- Hiring two student employees in project-based jobs:
 - Revenue generation (Grant Writing)
 - Creative Assistant (Branding)
- Find ‘em on HuskyJobs!
- Opportunity to bring in new people!
 - Gain more experience
 - Learn about the CSF
 - Prevents conflict of interest (staff and committee)
- Are there other programs on campus that hire positions like these? What can we learn from them?

Resolution: An active committee member cannot take on a paid role.

Standing Committee Meeting Time for Spring – Graham

- Registration begins next Friday!
- Determining what works best for the Fund– Standardization of possible meeting time suggestions?
- Discussion Tabled

Project Presentation: Kincaid Ravine Hydrological Assessment – Dan Hintz

- Presentation
 - Project Location: Kincaid Ravine; Subject to regular flooding.
 - Modifying Hydrology
 - Water Retention and Treatment
 - Assessing Bioswale/Bio-retention feasibility
 - Excavation and planting plan
 - Recommended by Christine Kenney!
 - Outside Consulting: Aaron Clark, “12,000 Rain Gardens in Puget Sound”
 - Need for quality technical assistance
 - Maintenance: Society for Ecological Restoration
- CSF Questions
 - **Affect on pedestrian traffic:** Low. Will be working with UW transportation Services to align congruent projects in that area.
 - **Feasibility of UW Faculty and/or Staff Help:** Relying on busy people to contract and partnership may not be sustainable for this project.
 - **Visibility:** High– can become model example on campus of wetland restoration!
 - **Student Involvement:** Students can be involved in planting, but excavation and landscaping will have to be technical work.
 - **Consultant Requirement:** Cannot approve without outside consultant Aaron, according to Capital Projects.
 - **Sample Prep:**
 - Conducted by Dan.
 - Funding for this step is used for lab rental on campus.
 - **Regarding UW Climate Action Plan:** Re-Certifying for Salmon Safe!

Project Presentation: ReThink Resilience Summit

- Presentation
 - ReThink is a Business-Focused Sustainability Club, aiming to conduct a UW Resilience Summit.
 - Aims to benefit the UW Campus and students otherwise uninvolved with sustainability.
 - Partnering with Sustainable Seattle and Green RSOs!
 - Interdisciplinary impact, initiating cross-campus conversation.
- CSF Questions
 - **Creating Curriculum and Market Scheme:**
 - Reaching out to representatives as speakers!
 - Event led by committee representing diverse disciplines.
 - Director of Sustainable Seattle can provide ReThink with suggested keynote speakers.
 - **Ensuring attendance from diverse places:**
 - Inviting RSOs and visiting departments.
 - Posting signage in departments.

- Expensive Signage: Large signs to place in departments cost a lot!
- Graduate student invitation?
- Student Implementation of works?

Reminders, Wrap-Up, Adjourn – Kayla

- We'll be starting discussions of all projects next week!
- Fill out the project scoring form!

Motion: Adjourn (Kayla) – APPROVED