Santa Monica College
Academic Senate Environmental Affairs Committee
Meeting Minutes – 9/1/11
HSS 261

Call to Order: 2:17

Present: Eric Oifer, Chair
Stuart Cooley
Amber Katherine
Dana Morgan
Alex Schwartz
Jeff Gehring

Excused: Genevieve Bertone, Vice-Chair

I. Seeking one more faculty member and one more administrator

II. 2011-2012 Committee Objectives
1. Employ STARS Educational Rating System to develop and implement standards for sustainability-related and –focused courses
    a. Develop survey and schedule visits to gather information from faculty across campus
    b. Use this project as tool to support Greening the Curriculum effort
2. Greening the Curriculum
    a. Expand use of the Organic Learning Garden
    b. EAC website development
    c. Link to Democracy Commitment
    d. Sustainability in the Program Review Yearly update?

III. Climate Action Plan
    a. Discussed Andrew Revkin's visit on October 27

IV. 2011-12 Meeting Schedule
    a. agreed to meet 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 2:15 in the Senate Office

V. Presence of Sustainability on SMC website
    a. discussion of branding of SMC's commitment to sustainability on the website
    b. CEUS

VI. New Leadership at Sustainable Works
    a. Discussion of concerns/issues

Items for next meeting: STARS – definition of terms, discussion of pursuing the establishment of dedicated sustainability "fund" through Foundation, Stuart on potential grant funding, keeping an idea on Garden funding