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## **Environmental Committee The Green Team**

**Lunenburg Campus**

### **MINUTES**

**November 15, 2011**

**2:45 pm – Room C105**

**Present** – Blaine Herman, Leif Helmer, Michelle Collins, Sacha Evans, Richard Grandy, Brent Kaulback, Vashti Matthews, Sarin Postma, Kaitlin Richard

**Absent** – Jeremy Porter

1. Call to Order: Chair Blaine Herman - 2:45 pm  
Blaine welcomed new members to the committee: Michelle Collins, Mechanical Drafting; Vashti Matthews, Mechanical Drafting; Sarin Postma, Tourism; and Kaitlin Richard, Business Administration.
2. Correspondence:
3. Review Minutes:  
Richard Grandy moved that the October 18, 2011 minutes be approved; seconded by Michelle Collins.
4. Old Business:
  - 4.1 Goals & Objectives:
    - **NSCC Green Design** –  
Debbie Cunningham's Architectural class is continuing to work on green proposals for outside the cafeteria.
    - **Cafeteria Initiatives** –  
Several suggestions were made on ways to "green" the cafeteria. The committee needs to find a way to engage cafeteria staff to get feedback on these green initiatives. The committee will maintain this as an active item for the near future.
    - **GREEN Suggestion Box** –  
Ten suggestions have been received in the electronic suggestion box for the committee to review this month.  
  
Both Brent and Blaine offered to provide small cash prizes (best suggestion). It was also suggested that the Student Association may want to fund prizes/water bottles as rewards for green initiatives as well. Committee to work out format for awarding these prizes.
    - **Student Education - Shop Visits**  
Shop visits are still an outstanding item. Committee needs to formalize its presentation and decide on its delivery method as soon as possible. Kirk Symonds has volunteered to help and Leif suggested that his class could be asked as part of their program to do the presentations.

### **Standardized classroom signage**

New Pack-it-in/Pack-it-out signage with waste container locations will be posted near exit door of classrooms.

Signage not posted as yet. Committee will utilize the Business Centre to produce the signage and roll it out at the first staff meeting in the new year.

- **Hydration Station**

The four hydration stations are being well received. There have been reports of lineups which is a good indicator. Committee members questioned whether the campus should be removing all bottled water and Blaine explained that Brent is working on a presentation to remove bottled water coolers from staffrooms but that the bottled water in the vending machines is not controlled by the campus and is part of a larger funding contract from central purchasing. It was suggested that Student Association may want to look into purchasing water bottles for the Student Orientation bags next September.

- **Event Display**

The committee agrees that an Event Display is something they want to do but it will be tabled until time allows for it to be worked on.

- **Car Pooling**

Not sufficient time for staff to carry out this event for September. Committee will work towards this for next year. It was suggested the Student Association be contacted to see if they can help with this initiative.

5. New Business:

5.1 No Idle Signs

It was discussed that people are parking in the visitor parking spaces in the front of the building with their cars idling. Leif believes that we can get No Idle signs from Clean Nova Scotia.

**Action:** Leif will contact Clean Nova Scotia to see if they still provide No Idle signs.

No action regarding this item yet. Blaine will look into No Idle signs for next meeting.

6. Adjournment:

Sacha moved that the meeting adjourn at 4:10 pm. Next meeting scheduled for December 13, 2011.