

# Campus Environmental Committee

Agenda for Monday January 22 Meeting

Introductions - all

Review of the Minutes - Ramona Walls

Status Report

Environmental Master Plan - Barbara Chernow

Follow-up; Brookhaven 'Kettle Hole Park' as a sump- Gil Hanson

Recommended Campus Environmental Committee Charge: Gil Hanson

To promote conservation of natural areas, ecological preserves and historical artifacts, examine transportation and parking issues, infrastructure and human health issues, energy efficiency, recycling and waste management on all campuses. It will consult with and advise the Vice-president for Facilities and Services.

Effluent from County Sewage Plant on Campus – John Fogarty

Developments at Southampton

Developments at the former Gyrodyne property

New Business

Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education --Mary Woodward

Subcommittee Reports

Status of Smoking Policy Sub-Committee - Bill Dethlefs (See Appendix A

Friends of the Ashley Schiff Park Preserve – Mary Woodward

'Little Acre Woods' – Paul Siegel

Other - All

Next Meeting - All

Adjourn

## Appendix A

**Stony Brook University**  
University Senate and Campus Environment Committee  
Smoking Ban Subcommittee Draft Documentation  
December 5, 2006

### I. Draft Proposal Amendment on Smoking Cessation

Sabra Boughton, in charge of Patient Education in the Stony Brook Medical Center, indicated that all temporary and permanent residents of the State of New York already have access to smoking cessation options as provided by the New York State Quitline. The current range of options include lozenges, nasal spray, 'quit patches' (a.k.a. nicotine patches), and other forms of Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT). Additional resources are also available through a State of New York website at <http://www.smokefree.com>.

This amended text will follow the original one-paragraph proposal as indicated below:

*Effective fall 2006 smoking will be limited only to pre-designated areas on campus. These areas are yet to be determined, but will allow for existing limitations as noted for dormitories, the hospital, and the Long Island Veterans home. In a time frame not to exceed three years a total ban on smoking is to be implemented campus-wide. This ban will follow a policy recently implemented by SUNY Upstate Medical University that affects all faculty, staff, students, patients, and visitors.*

Amended text:

*"Smoking cessation assistance is available through the New York State Smokers Quitline by calling 1-(866)-697-8487."*

### II. Draft Smoking Ban Policy Statement

As a second charge to the committee, the members engaged in discussion of developing a draft policy that would ban all smoking on campus at the end of a three-year phase in. During this discussion several comments were raised that will require additional information.

- A. One is the role of the University Police in regard to enforcement. Assistant Chief of Police Doug Little will be invited to the next meeting to address their position regarding such a policy.
- B. Another issue was raised regarding the status of smoking at the New York State Veterans Home if a campus-wide ban was implemented. A representative from the Veterans Home will be invited to the next meeting to address this issue.
- C. There was general agreement that an effective policy statement must emphasize education, self-awareness, and behavior that promotes self-policing. The consequences of violations should also be identified. Based on prior practices fines cannot be levied, but assignment to litter pickup could be considered.
- D. The proposed policy should follow the existing policy framework as found in the Stony Brook University "Smoke-Free University P112," as issued by the President and approved on November 20, 1997. Relevant text from the SUNY Upstate policy statement should be incorporated into the draft, particularly the sections that relate to enforcement. Text should also be borrowed from the American College

Health Association (AHCA) Guidelines from February 2005, "Position Statement on Tobacco on College and University Campuses" as distributed during the meeting. ACHA Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs Committee (2005, Feb.), website (12/3/06) <http://www.acha.org>.

- E. Based on this discussion a draft campus-wide smoke free policy statement is attached. (See Attachment A). All highlighted text in italics font is new. All other text is from the original 1997 policy, "Smoke-Free University P112" from November 20, 1997.

### III. Media and Awareness Campaign

Several items were presented for inclusion in a media campaign by Glenn Jochum and Karen Keeley of Communications. Some of these items are listed in bullet form below. Items with a cost or fee will need to be associated with a designated departmental budget. The items without a fee can be completed by any designated group or individual.

#### **Action Items With a Cost Attached:**

- Statesman Ad
- Posters
- Flyers
- Postcards

#### **Feasible Action Items without A Cost:**

- Lotus Notes Announcements
- E-mail Announcement
- WUSB Radio – Public Service Announcements
- Staller Slides shown during Friday Night Film Series
- Hospital Intranet
- Hospital Announcements
- SB Web Site "In the News"
- Targetvision (SAC TV)
- SBU TV
- Campus Buses
- 'Happenings' Article
- Campus Press Release