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Stony Brook University
University Senate
Campus Environment Committee
November, 18, 2008
VP Administration Conference Room
3:30 – 5:00 pm

Attending: Gil Hanson, Chair; Vice Chair, John Robinson: Nick Koridis, Recording Secretary; Mary Hotaling, Fred Walter, Paul Siegel, John Murray, Catherine Horgan, Geeta Maleickal, Dylan Selterman, Julia Link, Jonathan Mandel, Amandeep Pahar, and Stephanie Koenig.

Excused: Wendy Fidao, Dorothy Shannon Schiff, Krupa Gohil, Muriel Weyl, Ramona Walls, Kristen Nyitray, and Kathleen Weber

Staff: Amy Provenzano, Barbara Chernow

Guests: Malcolm Bowman,

Meeting called to order by: Gil Hanson at 3:30 PM (ended at 4:26 PM)

- I. Introductions – G. Hanson - Introductions were made of all attendees.
- II. Review of the Minutes - Amended meeting minutes for 10-21-08 to be submitted at the 12-9-08 meeting for approval.
- III. Status Reports
 1. **Environmental Master Plan – Amy Provenzano**
 - Nothing to report at this time.
 2. **East Campus Environment Committee – Catherine Horgan**
 - East campus has established an East Campus Environment committee which Catherine was invited to co-chair.
 - Discussion was held to suggest that there should be a sub-committee within the CEC and to determine whether the School of Medicine should be separate.
 - A question was raised whether Southampton was included which the answer was yes as the charge of the committee was revised to add Southampton.
 - Gil will meet with Catherine and others to determine the dynamics of this committee and how they will develop a group.
 2. **Developments at the Research and Development Park – Amy Provenzano**
 - Nothing to report at this time.
 3. **Status of Hotel**
 - A question was raised about the ground lease and when it expires and it was stated that the year is 2049.
 - A mention that some developers may require more time for an extension.

4. Campus Sustainability Task Force/Recycling – Amy Provenzano

- Nothing to report at this time.

5. Smoking Policy Sub-committee – Gil Hanson

- A discussion was raised about the smoking policy in order to obtain a LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) level certification.
- It was mentioned that Southampton needs to meet the prerequisite certification for LEED.
- New policy for East Campus.
- Senate approved no smoking 50’-0” feet from entrances.
- The smoking policy shall remain status quo at 15’-0” feet from entrances.
- GSO (Graduate Student Organization) supported the details of the plan and should be resubmitted in a simpler manner.
- A suggestion was made to have fixed seating, table benches and no smoking on the Academic Mall.
- Another suggestion was to designate smoking areas similar to airports and a roofed area which can be difficult to establish.
- Enforcement would be difficult to curtail smoking on campus although it would be prudent to follow the LEED guidelines for new buildings.
- Catherine alerted the committee that as of January 1, 2009, the University Hospital and the Health Sciences Center will prohibit smoking. This does not include the Residence Hall Chapin Apartments or the Long Island State Veterans Home.
- Gil asked if the smoking policy would include windows and fresh air intakes for ventilation. It was suggested that it should be by the committee.
- A procedure should be clarified for residence halls for smoking and that it should be removed from the existing policy that was dated in 1997.
- Gil suggested sending Bernie Lane the information about LEED and bringing it to the Senate.
- A recommendation was made to provide signage by the air intakes to buildings as needed.
- A discussion was held about the important points of what LEED does for the Campus.
- A motion was moved by John Murray and seconded by Catherine Horgan to change distances to 25’-0” feet from any building which was approved unanimously.
- Fred Murray and Malcolm reaffirm be it moved to the Senate Environment Committee that the long term goal is to be a smoke free campus. Four approve and two decline... passes.

6. University Safety Committee – Mary Hotaling

- Nothing to report at this time.

7. Parking and Transportation Subcommittee – Ramona Walls

- Paul spoke about the bike path and the subcommittee was researching a path on the side of the hospital across Nichols Road and concerns about the traffic light sequence.
- Some expressed interest for alternatives for new routes.
- Parking lot surveys to be done with work study students.
- Concerns for contractual parking for all collective bargaining units.
- There were reported over 3,000 tickets in one month of parking violations.
- It was reported that 99% tickets were issued from hand-held palm devices.

- The south P-Lot's occupancy rate has changed and increased 50-75% last year.

8. Friends of Ashley Schiff

- Paul spoke about the Schiff preserve and a motion was brought up to the University Senate to preserve forever wild.
- A meeting to work on a petition to reach out for supporting this mission.
- Fred suggested taking it to the Senate as it was also suggested to take it up in the spring.
- Malcolm brought up about Stuart Udall to make it forever preserved in October of 1969 – 1970.
- Gil spoke about Lake Briana recharge basin and speaking with the DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) to establish it a wetland.
- Gil discussed the undeveloped 80 acres called Clara's Woods.
- <http://www.geo.sunysb.edu/a-schiff/history.html>

OTHER

4:26 pm meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 9, 2008 3:00 PM at the Office of the VP in the Administration Building.

CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE 2008/2009

Charge: It shall examine all aspects of the campus environment, including but not limited to safety, security, facilities planning, state of facilities, and general appearance of the campus. It will consult with and advise the Assistant Vice President for Facilities and Services.

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