Gallaudet Sustainability Council Meeting Notes
November 22, 2013

Attendees:
William Banks  Meloyde Batten-Mickens  Jean Bergey  Rhonda Blake
Keith Doane  Mary Ellsworth  Laith Fathulla  Sachiko Flores
Justin Lasko  William Hughes  Carlos Navas  Sam Swiller

Data and Support Updates - Mel

○ ACUPCC – Phase 1 Update
  ▪ We recently rec’d updates from Hansel that we are targeting LEED Silver on construction projects and from Gary that we do purchase Energy Rated equipment. Mary commented that it would be interesting to get more ideas and information on green roofing.

○ Sightlines update – Phase 2 Update – focus on CUSP –
  ▪ We reviewed the Phase 2 Doc. Outstanding items for more discussion involving Stormwater mgmt. Justin noted he was aware of a project that Abe Weiner was working on that may be a resource for us. He will connect with him and let us know.

○ EPA’s Green Power Partnership (GPP)
  ▪ The GPP information below was share. For more details pls review the following links: - [http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/](http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/) [http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/basic/index.htm](http://www.epa.gov/greenpower/basic/index.htm)

Discussion topics –

○ Earth Hour Plng – updates from Laith
  ▪ Laith shared that we had a kick-off mtg earlier in the week, the Earth Hour background, and target date for lights out is March 29, 2014. He will contact the Union Market and Student Activities reps to see if they can plan activities during Earth Hour. He will continue plng and update the Council to ensure we are ready for that evening.

○ Recycling Program Discussion – updates from Justin & Keith.
  ▪ Justin shared updates on the CUB & HMB pilot to centralize larger labeled trash cans in hallways and reducing the trash cans in offices. This will help the custodial staff and streamline internal trash removal.
- Billy noted that we could do a pilot in College Hall and Mary noted that Clerc Ctr would be a good pilot area as well.
- Jean noted to make sure we include OSWD in the plng
- Carlos, Justin, Sachiko, and Keith info-share about the Great Forest visit
  - They shared that the Great Forest reps met with the team and that they offer a refuse assessment programs that includes recycling as well as composting. They provide an inspection program beyond what the current haulers do and can give more reporting data. There was concern about hauling charges and that the companies where to build a closer facility than Delaware. More research is needed on this topic to learn how Great Forest can assist us.
- Composting – updates from Sachiko
  - Sachiko shared that we should start slow, communicate to the community. Justin shared to focus on large areas. How do we separate the composting and the companies do need to have a closer facility to cut down on transportation, because it seems counter-productive.
  - Mel asked for ideas to promote viewing the kiosk. Any ideas for other kiosk locations. Have the kiosk info on the main Gally website landing page, have a kiosk at the marketplace, or maybe at the visitor’s center.
  - QR-Code works on smartphones with a QR Code scanning app. Scan the code and the kiosk will open in the app and initiate an Internet browser to view the kiosk information.

General comments from Council members
- We discussed having three Sustainability Events
  1. March 29th - Earth Hour
  2. April 8th - Sustainability Tour
  3. April 22nd – Earth Day
- Keith shared that the Architect and Design class discussed universal standards that would expand the deafspace guidelines.
- Keith noted that there will be a 150th tree planting on April 8th
- Sachiko will be leaving for Taiwan next semester…. Good luck we will miss you…
- Billy inquired about how we could present information on the cost savings from the events.

Next Meeting: Dec. 17th. Will need to reschedule based on exams and of-the-year activities