

RECAP

Interagency Sustainability Coordinators Network



Meeting Date: November 4, 2009

Time: 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

Location: Mt. Mazama Conference Room
General Services Building
1225 Ferry Street SE, Basement
Salem, OR 97301

Attendees: Elin Shepard, DAS Facilities
Archana Thapa-Campbell, DOJ
John Lilly, DSL
Vern Rowan, DOC
Nick Hill, DOJ

Jessica Keys, Governor's Office
Mark Brady, BO
Steve Mital, OUS
Gabrielle Schiffer, DCBS
Kristi Cederburg, DAS Facilities

Guests: Steve Reed, ODVA

I. Call to Order and Welcome

- Elin Shepard called the meeting to order at 1:37 pm.
- Everyone present introduced himself or herself.

II. New Business

- Steve Mital, OUS, Sustainability Director with U of O presented that in the Fall of 2010, U of O will be launching a 1 year full-time (42 credits) Graduate Certificate Sustainability Program.
 - The program will initially consist of 15 – 20 students. The focus will be on 5 sustainability challenges in Oregon, allow students access to a network of sustainability leaders and professionals in state government, private and non-profit sectors, and prepare them for leadership roles in Oregon.
 - The students will have to complete 3 or 4 projects of significant size and meaning, lasting approximately 6 months. There will be opportunities for smaller individual projects of a practical value to connect the academic foundation to real applications, concerns and challenges.
 - Steve asked to be contacted with sustainability project ideas, guest speakers, opinions on sustainability challenges, and recommendations of people to contact.
 - Some project ideas may be related to water, transportation, and areas in social service, such as, hunger.
- Elin provided a draft copy of the DAS proposed action items, asked that it be reviewed and feedback given.
- Elin asked the committee to think about and provide feedback about hosting a collaborative state agency Earth Day 2010 event.

III. General Updates – DAS statewide sustainability projects

- Elin is in the process of revising the construction standards. A completion goal date is June 2010.
- Elin shared an OSB update from the meeting in Oakridge.
 - Various entities discussed programs and goals Oakridge has for environmental improvements and business revitalization.
 - The Ecosystem Services Workgroup plan to present a report to the 2011 legislature regarding the implementation of SB513.
- The committee discussed avenues to bring awareness to sustainability. Elin is looking into Facebook and Twitter options. Archana suggested attaching a 'mascot' to sustainability, commenting that it would make sustainability easier to identify.

- Elin asked if there have been any concerns or feedback regarding RCM statewide policy/ night audits. There were no comments or feedback.
- Elin presented an update on the Occupancy Sensor Power Strip study that is being conducted with energy trust. After a month of use, Elin's results reflect a 45-50% savings. More study updates to come. You can access information about the Occupancy Sensor Power Strip by clicking on the below hyperlink.
 - http://www.efi.org/specs/7005x143_specs.pdf
- Elin presented the field trip schedule. The first field trip is December 15, 2009.
- Green teams are making a difference. Contact Elin for help setting one up.
- Elin shared 14 of 19 DAS buildings are EarthWISE certified. A ceremony will be held in January 2010. Elin has invited the Governor.
 - [Marion County Oregon - EarthWISE Certified Businesses](#)
- Elin will be meeting with the Blind Commission on November 17th to set up energy conservation plans for cafeterias in public buildings.
- Elin shared there will be a Green Custodial Network kickoff in January.
- Elin shared that the RFP for third-party solar is complete and will be released soon. Energy trust is assessing property for third-party solar.
- Elin asked the Coordinators to review the online sustainability training and provide feedback. Vern commented that the training be split into levels.
 - Online Sustainability classes. [DAS Sustainability Program Sustainability Training](#)

IV. Round Table – share projects with Governor's Office

- Steve Mital, OUS shared the 7 institutions comprising the Oregon University System have signed the American College and University President's Climate Commitment (ACUPCC). U of O and OSU have prepared and filed a Draft Climate Action Plan.
 - [Introduction from President Lariviere | UOregon Sustainability](#)
- Gabrielle Schiffer, DCBS shared they are working on the implementation of SB 79. The Solar Code Development Committee's goal is to have the final solar code by April 2010. There will also be a REACH Code that foreshadows future code direction.
- Mark Brady, BO shared that BO are developing work plans that will include internal sustainability.
- Archana, DOJ stated that creating and implementing a Green Team requires a lot of planning and involvement.
- Nick Hill, DOJ shared some of the sustainability measures they are working on are: comprehensive recycling for DOJ buildings, increase teleconference vs. travel, 2-sided copies, and DOJ providing bus passes. Members of the committee suggested reviewing the Transit Pass policy because of the program cut.
- Vern Rowan, DOC shared that LED lighting is replacing fluorescent lighting; in addition to energy conservation LED lighting is crisper and more detailed. DOC is without funding to complete the Umatilla Solar project. Wind conditions are being tested in Umatilla.
 - [Umatilla Wind Energy](#)
- John Lilly, DSL shared South Slough installed photovoltaic system, 13KW power solar panels. The solar panels were funded from tax credits and a grant from NOAA. Wind testing in SE Oregon for a possible wind farm.
- Steve Reed, DVA shared they are working on creating and implementing a sustainability plan. Currently have a small lighting project.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:43.

Next meeting:

Wednesday January 13, 2010 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

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