Environmental Advisory Council
Thursday, November 8, 2012 – 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
O'Connor Conference Room 363
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Present: Roy Coons, Brian Elzewig, Diana Cardenas, Mark McNamara, Evan Paret, Kaitlin Hibbs, Van Franks

Guests: Nathan Galvan, Lori Alvarez, Erika Galindo (Island Wave rep)

I. Call to order:
Roy Coons called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm. A motion to approve minutes from the September 13th meeting was made by Cardenas and seconded by McNamara. Meeting minutes have been approved by the Committee.

II. Old Business:
1. Student Survey
2. Environmental Mission Statement
3. Green Fee Initiatives

III. New Business:
1. Green Fee Expense report was given by Lorena Alvarez. The accounts beginning balance held $52,063.00 and with the purchase of a brush chipper for $32,142.94 now has a total of $19,920.06. Monies are loaded into this account at the beginning of every fiscal year.

2. Student Survey:
Dr. Cardenas writing class surveyed 400 students on campus regarding green initiative. Out of the 400 surveys 396 were returned. Dr. Cardenas students will submit a report on the results from the survey to the EAC by December 10th.

The committee tossed around ideas about how to get students involved and to submit Green ideas. McNamara and Cardenas suggested putting “Green Ideas” on the Universities main page or on the marquee sign at the Momentum Campus, or putting advertisements on Islander Waves and even distributing pamphlets around campus. Paret stated that maybe setting up a link on the students log in page through SAIL. Students can also submit their ideas through Islander Green or send an email to Ehs@tamucc.edu.
Another idea is to provide an incentive for students submitting ideas. McNamarrra also suggested that we market the EAC and attach our logos with these ideas. Franks stated that until recently, he was unaware that this committee even existed on campus. So publicity would be good exposure for the committee.

3. Environmental Policy Statement:
The committee unanimously voted on Draft 1 of the Environmental Policy Statements. Minor changes were made and a final vote will take place at the next EAC meeting on November 29th.

IV. Announcements/Adjournments
1. Paret informed the Council that Student Representatives from TAMUK were on visiting and were impressed with the TAMUCC campus.
2. Motion to adjourn by Coons and seconded by Elzweig. Meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm.