

Energy Task Force Meeting Minutes

Monthly Meeting March 9, 2012

Location: 343, Dimond Library

Attendees: Benjamin Trolio, Beth Potier, Cameron Wake, Jackie Furlone, Jim Dombrosk, Matt O'Keefe, Tat Fu, Tom Kelly, Vincent Lyon, Joe Van Gombos, Michael Welch, Steve Pesci, Britta Moore, Paul Chamberlain, Sarah Gassman, Cameron Wake's 405 class.

Action Items

Student projects follow-up

- Temperature - class evaluations under review, follow up with student senate to add temperature question(s)
- ETF to draft policy (Exec Committee), ready by next months meeting to give to Tim D. for Student Senate
- Working group to create ranking system of campus buildings for better space use policy and guidelines (Cam to follow up with his Students)
- Jackie following up with student groups for further action on projects and connections to already existing student groups i.e:
 - Take Back the Tap campus rep and Hydration Station group
 - Eco-rep plan and student/senate residence life (Hall council constitutions currently under review, get these positions in by May)

405 presentations and discussion

1. Temperature Set points
 1. Student-led survey of small sample size (40 people)
 2. only 1 out of 35/40 people knew about Ecoline

1. Better communications with campus community needed
3. Academic spaces often labeled too hot
 1. some buildings would use more energy to lower temps because they would need to run A/C, not always a single solution.
2. Space programming on Campus
 1. Too many buildings being used inefficiently
 2. Targets are JTerm and Summer programming
 3. Create policy and/or guide for decision makers to use limited number of residence halls in the summer
 1. would a guide without policy be enough to get change and results we want?
 4. How to get buy-in from summer programs?
 1. Policy will be in line with UNH Beliefs and practices, outside programs will understand that we are committed to reducing energy as well as cost
 2. problem now is that customer pays the price for usage in buildings, how to not let them drive space usage inefficiently?
 5. Academic buildings are easier - can tell Registrar to fill up one building on class schedules before moving on to another.
 6. Need to create a ranking system and guide for decision makers
 1. Group to be formed via Cam Wake's class, Matt O'Keefe and Tat Fu involved?
 2. show costs of usage as fully open, shut down, 1/2 open etc.
 7. UNH Unplugged
 1. Power strips save \$1 per student per year
 1. about more than savings - creating a lifestyle and culture awareness for students
 2. available at move-in day (free for students? Or to purchase?)
 2. Students are not as informed as they should be about Sustainability on campus
 1. feels it should be much more prevalent
 3. Some dorms have implemented shutting off hall lights at quiet hours.

4. Eco-Reps plan brought up, hall councils are reviewing constitutions now, get position written in before May.
3. Hydration Stations
 1. 36 in Residents Halls
 2. Very popular with students and not a huge increase in installation price from normal water fountain.
 3. currently 1 for every 120 students
 4. Maintenance of changing filters is minimal
 5. how to get more on campus, students say more than one per building would be useful
 1. many come up to 3rd floor of one building to use it.
 6. Each academic building should have at least 1-2 stations depending on floor structure
 7. STudents would like to eliminate bottled water, and poland springs bubblers in offices, on campus
 1. Have Take back the Tap student on campus, putting in touch with this group.

CAN/Student groups update

1. Friday Night Lights program
 1. Very successful, consistent group each week
 2. Want to invite staff, ETF, and President Huddleston to Friday after spring break (March 23rd)
 3. Want to talk to Matt for more hard data on savings created from program
2. Letter drafted by CAN Members
 1. Elevator pitch - a few sentences about goal for 100% clean energy
 2. Letter to Huddleston for clean energy by 2020 and invite to Friday Night Lights
3. Input on letter
 1. Include that we are not starting from zero, have already taken great strides with EcoLine
 1. Since we are not claiming RECs yet, have to assume that our energy is coming from fossil fuels
 2. If we get those credits back after 2020, 60% would be from the EcoLine, 40% still from fossil fuels