

Standing Committee Annual Report

Name of Committee or Council:

Greener Campus Committee

Chair

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Meeting Dates in Current Year:

Oct. 6, Dec. 11, Feb. 12, April 14, April 23

Major Actions or Accomplishments:

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- Obtained funding from the Sustainability Fee Committee to purchase 12 recycling stations.
 - Recycling stations were placed in Sundquist Science Complex and replaced non-uniform collection bins.
- Obtained funding from the Sustainability Fee Committee to purchase four 95-gallon outdoor recycling bins for Starbucks at the Library for plastic recycling (30-35 jugs per day)
 - GCA to pick up 3 times per week
- Hosted annual Earth Day Celebration
 - Collected aluminum cans for resale / profits donated to APSU students in need
- Continued the Green Tips of the Week / Day on Gov Says

Items Discussed / Proposed / Investigated:

- We need to organize and host an annual fall meeting for all involved parties
 - GCA Does GCA have personnel to keep up with current recycling demands

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- Physical Plant
- Housing and Dining Services
- Sustainability Fee Committee
- SOARE – active on campus anymore?
- Bi-County
 - Does Bi-County pick up frequently enough?
- Others?
- Discussed the results of survey from SOC class project (David Steele)
- More solar canopies? (need more info about, cost, Joe Schiller, Chester Little, Tom Hutchins, adjust to angles)
- More support for Electric Vehicles (EV) on campus
- Support student version of greener campus committee

- What issues matter the most: recycling, green energy, reduce consumption, refillable containers (water bottle – Brita stations)
 - Survey the campus to discover
- Promote the refillable coffee containers at Einstein’s and Starbucks
- Involvement of local car dealerships / “parade” of hybrid and electric vehicles?
- Zero waste picnics to promote composting and waste reduction?
 - Convocation Picnic?
 - End of the year staff picnic?
- Residence Hall events? (Kim Morrow hall directors/ housing / couple of somethings each semester for community purposes) summer trainings
- Recycling bins basketball goals
- Move out days? Bi-county/salvation army/goodwill/habitat for humanity
- Donate usable items on campus? (Craigslist for APSU students only)
- Outdoor exhibit/workshop about how to refinish furniture, proceeds from sale, provide labor for a new Habitat house
- Invasive species removal (Emerald ash bore)
Carol Baskauf committee started on campus (traps)
- Earth Day banner – proposal to sustainable fee committee