

# Student Sustainability Task Force

Meeting 10/22/14



## Agenda

- Announcements (5 minutes)
- Club Updates (5 minutes)
- Old Business (10 minutes)
  - Green Revolving Fund
    - Got Kenny's files
    - Kenny has found a possible project lead
  - Other Projects
    - Sodexo
    - Water Fountains
    - Urban farming
    - SustainAffinity
  - Recruitment
  - Email people who were at People's Climate March
    - One response
  - Sustainability Newsletter Email
    - Please send updates ASAP
- New Business (10 minutes)
  - Constitution vs. By-laws Discussion
  - Google Drive Orientation
  - Finding out ROI
  - SSTF Archives
- Project Break-Out Groups

## Attendance

- Elizabeth
- Kelly
- Erica
- Jesse
- Jessica
- Joe Campo
- Kiani

## Minutes

- Finance
  - We don't really use our \$

- We have money that can be used towards events and such to educate people on environmental issues
- Joe Campo notes that the people who gave us grants might ask us what we have been doing with the money
- EcoLogic is putting on Eco Princess Festival
- Give \$1000 to EcoLogic for Eco Princess Festival?
  - Passes 4-0-1
- Club updates
  - EWB: watershed thing
  - EcoLogic: EcoPrincess festival just got funding
    - Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>
    - <http://rpiecoheroes.wikispaces.com/>
  - Vasudha – Thanksgiving meal Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - ESW
  - Terra Café had chili today with Active Minds, good attendance
  - SEP tonight at 9 Union 3606! (“We’ll discuss a couple job opportunities, open positions within the club, events to do throughout the year, and contacts to make”)
- Old Business
  - We got Kenny’s files and a potential project leader for the GRF
  - Sodexo – haven’t heard anything
  - Water Fountain – work with Michael Han, Student Senate, Emily Farella
  - SustainAffinity – alumni google group thing network. Working with SEP on project. Trying to figure out where past files are, group has been created in the meantime on google.
- Recruitment
  - Jesse write on his white board (but does anyone read it?)
  - Tell Dr. Akera to announce during Nature/Society ?
  - Elizabeth email Climate March – one responder added to email list
  - Info about what we’ve done on projects for newsletter to sust email list
- New Business
  - Constitution vs by-laws
    - Not union-funded club
    - Formation through cabinet of RPI
    - Different from other clubs – members are not just students
    - We don’t have anything describing how we run.
    - Structure so things can get done easier.
    - Union will soon be only place to register club on campus, whether union club or not. All clubs will have to register every year. Good idea to have e-board at least look at by-laws.
  - All officers added to Google Drive last week, folders made for each project. Description placed in each folder. Inspired by what student senate is doing.
  - ROI

- Talked to Claude Rounds, said return on investment for solar is not high enough for RPI to want to put them up
  - Somebody want to find the ROI and what RPI's minimum is. Maybe some good grants?
- SSTF Archives
  - Getting files from Anasha soon, will go on dropbox
- Project breakout
  - Discuss what GRF is