

Student Sustainability Task Force

NOTES 3/22/2016



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MARCH 22, 2016

6PM

PHALANX ROOM 3502 UNION

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| GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS | At end of April, beginning of May will have elections for Fall positions, all positions will be open -- If you want to keep/switch positions, let Kiani know |
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| UPCOMING EVENTS | <p>Earth Week Planning Committee Thursday at 5:30 Sage 5711</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalizing schedule & budgeting |
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- [Conscious College Road Tour](#) - Monday April 18th at Skidmore (about 30 min drive)
- 11-3pm main event - 8 tables learn about sustainable body products, cleaning products, foods and clothes, how to create an eco-friendly room and how to live a zero waste lifestyle
 - Closing event – 6pm Chipotle dinner, brainstorm & initiatives
 - Amelia planning on driving up after 4pm

- [Environmental Consortium Annual Student Summit](#)– Friday April 15 at Pace University Pleasantville, NY
- Free! Includes lunch

- Earth Week – April 16th-23th
- Tentative [schedules](#)
 - [Earth Week Kick Off Event](#)

- March 30th SEP “Lets talk” about classes
- Possibly held in Vashudah?

- Monday April 11th [Oakwood Soul Café](#)
- Vashudah is hosting
 - Volunteers needed for Prep on the 10th or work on the 11th
 - On the Corner of 10th and Hoosick

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| CLUB UPDATES | <p>SEP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meetings Wednesday 8-9 Union 2424 Fill out survey if attended |
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- Terra Café
- Next lunch tomorrow Wed
 - Curry this week
 - Volunteer 2 hours for free lunch

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Training—contact Natalie Yap |
| Ecologic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meets Friday 4:30-5:30 in EEC ○ Working on organizing EarthFest (during Earth Week Friday April 22) ○ SSTF & Ecologic co-hosting NRB event <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Late August (if anyone can volunteer) ▪ Troy Bike Rescue, Capital Roots, Tech Dump, Sanctuary ▪ If you want to help out, let Kiani know |
| Green Greeks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community Service Day: April 20th ○ Selling t-shirts ~\$15 |

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| EEC CLEAN-UP | **If someone wants to be in charge of EEC, let Kiani know** | |
| Wednesday Morning Cleanup times proposed (beginning 3/30) | | |
| Need to make a sign for the door | | |
| ACTION ITEMS | PERSON RESPONSIBLE | DEADLINE |
| Share budget for EEC with Natalie | Asia | 3/29 |
| Meet smart lighting club around 1 or 2 on Saturday | Amelia | 3/26 |
| Fill out this whenisgood | Everyone | 3/29 |

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| GRANTS | Start thinking about which grant you would like to work on (we will create teams later) |
| The Awesome Foundation | |
| New York State Consolidated Funding | |

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| EARTH-WEEK | **Send all ideas to Asia for budget approximation purposes** | |
| Start creating booth content | | |
| ACTION ITEMS | PERSON RESPONSIBLE | DEADLINE |
| Create a sign-up sheet for EarthWeek booths | Amelia | 3/29 |

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| COMPUTER PROGRAM | Verdiem—software program that analyzes computer/printer usage over time and can set the program to shut them down at times of frequent inactivity, as well as shutting them down overnight |
| Cost per computer per year: \$15, savings per computer ~\$20-60 per year | |
| The guy can give us a free demo, and with a conference call they can provide an estimated ROI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Form that RPI would need to fill out, then they can set up the demo. | |

\$13/computer upfront cost, and then starting at year 2, \$2/computer/year for maintenance and upkeep

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| SODEXO | SSTF potentially can table in Commons before Earth Week | |
| Hold Weigh the Waste event in Commons during Earth Week? | | |
| ACTION ITEMS | | |
| Ask about micro-greens in commons (potentially write a short article about it) | Mary Kate | 2/30/16 |
| Continue working on Survey for R? | Erica | 2/30/16 |
| Send them Earth Week Meeting Information | Amelia | 3/23/16 |
| SOLAR POWER WATER HEATER | We need to determine any eligible building candidates—through hot water monitoring and sunlight-measuring | |
| ACTION ITEMS | | |
| Ask to borrow sun-measuring device | Lexi | 2/29/16 |
| Ask Steve Quinn how to get hot-water monitoring devices | Jeremy | 2/29/16 |