President’s Climate Commitment and Sustainability Committee
Meeting Report October 11, 2011

In Attendance:
Scott Benjamin, Mike D’Entremont, JoDe Levine, Carmen Magana, Dawn Monahan, Ken Nies, Karalynn O’Rourke, Shanay Reed, Indira Rakhimzyanova, Paul Wolff

In Absentia:
Deb Boyer, Henry Chu, Meghan Callaghan, Jeff Ginsberg, Venkat Rao, Paul Righi, Les Warren, Weusi Tafawa

This was the first International Skype meeting that the PCCSC Committee conducted with connection to Toronto, Canada.

Agenda Item #1: ACUPCC Northeast Regional Symposium
Discussion and review of Agenda on website (ACUPCC.org)

**November 3**
- Change Agent Forum
  - Climate Clinics Include:
    - Using the Carbon Calculator Tool
    - Working With Outside Consultants
    - 4-Year Institutional Challenges
    - Community College Challenges
    - Engaging Faculty and Other Stakeholders
    - Forming Effective Institutional Structures
    - Overcoming Resistance to Change
    - Developing Effective Sustainability Related Survey Instruments
    - Students, Sustainability and behavioral Change
- Tour of BHCC Campus
- Welcome/Discussion Panel with Mary Fifield
- Casella Waste Management Tour and Pizza Party

**November 4**
- Working Sessions
  - World Café: From Planning to Action
  - Sustainability and Curriculum Development
    Featuring BHCC Faculty (Judy Lindamood, Scott Benjamin, Chris Watson)
  - Energy and Financing Case Studies (Including case study of Enterprise Energy Management System at BHCC)
- Lunch with the President’s Panel
  - Mary Fifield, BHCC
  - Paul Ferguson, University of Maine
  - Gloria Larson, Bentley University
  - Jonathan Lash, Hampshire College
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- Current Registrants (72)  
PCCSC Members planning to attend:  
Les Warren, Scott Benjamin, Carmen Magana, Mike D’Entremont, Shanay Reed,  
Indira Rakhimsyanova, Stephenson Aman, Jeff Ginsburg, Jesse Thompson, Mike  
D’Entremont

Agenda Item #2: Student Sustainability Club Updates

  o Week of October 16 National Campus Sustainability Day Activities
    ▪ **October 17** @ 12:00pm-1:00pm  
      Guest Speaker **Sam Andersen**: “Sustainable Farming: How to Start and Continue Successful Business” @ Room E175  
      Food will be served.  
    ▪ **October 18** @1:00pm-2:15pm  
      ZUMBA class to promote health and wellness: G Building Gymnasium  
    ▪ **October 19** @1:00pm-2:15pm  
      “What is Your Carbon Footprint?” Event  
      Students encourage faculty, staff and others to take a quiz that measures carbon footprints. The results (number of planets) helps to divide students into teams for various games.

  o **November 8, 2011**  
    Guest Speaker: Joshua Slotnick  
    “A Garden City Bandage: The Story of One City's Efforts to Get Good Food to Everyone”

  o Other points of discussion  
    Students in the Sustainability Club discussed and idea for a fundraising Target: Big Belly Solar Compactor. They asked for advice from the PCCSC Committee about the product and its feasibility for the BHCC campus.
ACTION ITEMS

1) All PCCSC members were asked to take the carbon footprint quiz (myfootprint.org. For those that have already taken it, please retake the quiz and submit a new score.

The idea was proposed to post the average of all results received for our committee and to invite other College Forum committees to also take the quiz as part of a “Carbon Footprint Challenge” announced at the next meeting.

2) Please submit the names/contact information from colleagues who you would like to invite to the upcoming ACUPCC Regional Symposium on November 3, 4, 2011.