**ESC**

**February 13, 2018**

**Present: Jill Davenport, Seth Leinard, Amanda Erdmann, Clare Normann, Allyson Green, Clara Higgins, Christina Erickson**

**Water** -3 fountains being put in in the next few weeks. 2 paid for by Batalden and one by EAC. Foss, OGC and the Fitness Center will be retrofitted.

Amanda is putting in facilities requests for next years’ budget for 3 new water fountains – 2 in Urness and one in Luther.

Could we use Sesquicentennial grant money? Maybe, Amanda says there is historical knowledge of water fountains in Urness, maybe this could be used? Or is there a better use of the grant money? To be explored.

No longer reimbursing bottled water purchases beginning February 1. No complaints/problems so far. Jill will be checking in with accounting to see how the process is going.

People can order a gallon of water from Aviand’s catering (cost $4.11 including tax) with a $5 delivery charge for buildings other than Christensen Center – down from a previous delivery fee of $15.

Continue march forward on water initiatives, no changes for now.

Christina - announce fountains in Amail.

**Hiring of facilities director** is delayed – still seeking the right candidate.

**Custodial meeting** – they are very short staffed especially with the new building.

Custodial plans to change to once a week in emptying garbage cans in private offices. Common spaces and bathrooms cleaned daily. This may frustrate some people.

Common spaces are cared for first. While offices are important –there are needs to clean common areas and these should be priority. We should also have conversation about the stretching of cleaning staff to the new building, and suggestions about what we do ourselves for cleaning our spaces. Partially a matter of culture change and recognizing the demands on custodial staff. Allyson will continue conversation. Transparency in scheduling of office cleaning may help. Education to community members about caring for their own space in between cleaning can be useful.

**Fair trade committee** - A staff/student from IT is heading this up as part of her MAL project. She has a committee with Josh from Aviand’s and Allyson to make our campus fair trade certified. Requirements are to have at least 2 items in every retail outlet. Need is to document this, we are pretty close. There is a charter that the national fair trade organization has. After we have the branding, this is a commitment that ESC can claim moving forward. We have to monitor that these commitments continue.

It would be nice to see it growing. Can be part of a student worker to monitor and audit. Labeling and advertising is important. Consensus to move ahead.

**GreenCorp** - Should we apply for a greencorp? This person could focus on waste - lots of options for work here – communication, audits, philosophy of waste, policy, etc. Amanda could consider offering up some space and share in supervision. Allyson will share the application and we will add as we can.

**Update from EAC**

Metro transit cards from the library - can be checked out by any community member.

Sustainability Hall! It is coming! WOW.