Environmental Stewardship Meeting

June 20, 2017

1:30

Present: Seth Lienard, Jill Davenport, Christina Erickson, and Allyson Greene.

**Water Proposal –**

The water policy went to the University Council for discussion and advisement to the President. There were several questions that came through via email before the meeting. Council mostly wanted to assure the effort to be successful. Comments and included:

Mapping out accessible water sources on campus including filling stations

Supportive of classes doing analysis on water quality

Sharing water data and ideas with the city of MPLS. – while this could have some pitfalls it can be considered.

What other plastic bottles might it be good to ban? Soda?

Are the water filtered stations have better quality than non filtered water?

Water bottles we are giving away to new students – are those the right kind of bottles? Do people use them?

How can we promote water conservation in general?

UC advised to accept the policy and President Pribbenow agreed.

A good place to begin communicating to students is at SOAR – stuffing a flyer into each water bottle. Allyson will work on this.

How do we strategize the rest of the communication to the campus?

President Pribbenow will put info in his fall letter.

Alerting people to where accessible water is on campus is a good start. But creating such a map is actually a lot of work and takes technical skill. And, do people need maps of the whole campus? This will take time to figure out. Christina will find a longer meeting date and time for late July or early August.

**Annual report**

Allyson will put on website

Christina will post in A-mail

Christina will print a few to share with a few key people – advancement, Presidents office, admissions, etc.

**Another Hour Car on campus - This is terrific!**

**A new opportunity for copy paper** – virgin paper but is created in such a way that it is very sustainable. Cheaper, plant uses hydro and wind power, less chemicals. Called Natural Choice. We will test it out.

Christina will find a date for a late summer meeting!