

## JCES Spring 2017 Roster

### Students For Sustainability (2)

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2. *Open*

### Student Association Member

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2. *Open*

### Residence Hall Advisory Council (1)

1. Natalie Burgess

### Green Fund Coordinator

1. Rachel Steffen (secondary Spenser Garcia, Mini-grant coordination)

### Faculty or Instructional Academic Staff Representatives (5)

1. Seth King (in process of replacing)
2. Barrett Klein (*Convener & Chair*)
3. Kelly Nowicki
4. Kay Dailey
5. Ben Golden

### Academic Staff Representatives (3)

1. Victor Hill
2. Dennis Rodenberg
3. William Doering

### University Staff Representatives (2)

1. John Pieper
2. *Open*

### STARS Assessment Coordinator (1)

1. *Open*

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1. Rebecah Neitzel

### Environmental Health, Occupational Safety, and Sustainability Program Manager

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## JCES Meeting September 9, 2016

### Attendees:

Rebecca Neitzel	Kelly Nowicki
Brandon Noble	Rachel Steffen
Shannon Amberg	Laura Berry
Dennis Rodenberg	Barrett Klein
Victor Hill	Dan Sweetman
Kelly Nowicki	

### Guests:

Bobby Piper

1. Introductions and welcome.
2. Voting for JCES officers. Opening the floor for nominations on officer positions. Email Barrett about interest in any position; schedule a formal vote in a few weeks.
3. Barrett will be gone for next meeting - Kelly Nowicki will lead the meeting in his absence.
4. Bob Hetzel will join JCES for the meeting of October 21 to discuss how he may be able to help facilitate sustainability initiatives on campus.
5. Posting on digital boards on campus about JCES meetings and any events that JCES is co-sponsoring (also proposal submissions). Through University Communications (online submission) for advertising meetings on the digital boards. Contact Florence Aliesch for the graphic design on these postings. Barrett will make the first contact.
6. Revisiting end of Spring semester calls to action items:
  - Sustainability as a strategic initiative
  - Digital measures modifications to reflect engagement in sustainability-oriented projects in teaching, scholarship, and service
  - JCES name change
  - Reduction of herbicide and pesticide use on campus - potential for evaluating what current practices are on campus; won't hurt to pursue changes depending on what is feasible to use as a replacement method.
    - A sub-issue - the solitary nesting bees on campus that are active in May/June and how to protect them during their critical nesting time. A focus on celebrating instead of tolerating them. Kelly Nowicki suggests using Marketing and Advertising students who would be looking for a project for classes. Collaborating with Biology students (encouraging Green Fund applications for projects to promote this). SFS e-newsletter.
  - JCES co-sponsoring an Earth Week Fair

7. Will need to look at the formal sub-committee structures (which subcommittees were formalized last year? Shannon will identify these)
  - Web presence subcommittee (Victor right now, but may need to change; possibly a student?)
  - Digital measures
  - Sustainability Coordinator subcommittee
  - STARS subcommittee
  
8. Kelly moves to adjourn. Spenser seconds. Adjourned 11:55.
- 9.

## JCES Meeting September 23, 2016

### Attendees:

Rebecca Neitzel	Kelly Nowicki
Ben Golden	Spencer Garcia
Brandon Noble	Rachel Steffen
Shannon Amberg	Laura Berry
Victor Hill	

### Guests:

Bobby Piper  
Rob Tyser

1. Introductions and welcome.
2. Motion to approve previous meeting minutes by Shannon; Spenser seconds. All in favor.
3. Comments on the official JCES roster - still sorting out who is filling crucial spots. Priority is to finalize this by or at the next meeting
4. Discussion of nominations for leadership and cabinet positions in JCES - Kelly has been nominated for Chair, Kelly expresses interest but only if there will be a co-chair to share responsibility.
5. Discussion of subcommittees for JCES -
  - a. Marketing subcommittee - takes care of the web presence and updates, advertising of meetings and events
  - b. Sustainability Coordination subcommittee
  - c. Earth Day subcommittee - planning and coordinating for an Earth Day presence and event on campus
    - i. Working with student organizations to organize
    - ii. Potentially student interns to work on this project?
  - d. Special Projects - any side projects or efforts that emerge
  - e. Move to approve the 4 subcommittees - Spencer; Rachel seconds. All in favor
6. Assignments to subcommittees:
  - a. Members will choose commitments to subcommittees by next meeting.
7. Green Fund proposal applications will be up and ready for interested parties in the next few days. Due date for proposals is the third Monday in November.
  - a. Could we have someone put together a Green Fund proposal to support students to plan an Earth Day event? One proposal for supporting student work/intern and one proposal for supporting activity expenses for the event.
8. Update on Car Share program - still available on campus
  - a. Cars are available in the Stadium and Rec Center parking lots
  - b. Marketing is not overwhelming for the program, room for improvement here. How to increase awareness of the program? Intern for Enterprise that would help with program marketing on campus?
9. Kelly moves to adjourn meeting; Spenser seconds. Meeting adjourned at 11:52 AM.

## JCES Meeting October 7, 2016

### Attendees:

Rebecca Neitzel	Kelly Nowicki
Spencer Garcia	Barrett Klein
Brandon Noble	Rachel Steffen
Shannon Amberg	Dennis Rodenberg
Victor Hill	John Pieper
Dan Sweetman	Laura Berry

### Guests:

Bobby Piper  
Rob Tyser  
Judy Arney

1. Judy Arney, junior UWL and Chartwell's student sustainability intern. Bringing forward the idea of starting a food recovery network on campus here; National Chapter here at UWL.
  - a. Inquiring about using Green Fund to support this effort in terms of expenses.
  - b. Coordinating with the on-campus Leadership and Involvement Center (they organize the on-campus food pantry and other area pantries)
  - c. Ensuring reusable or compostable containers
  - d. Forwarding left over warm food that hasn't been purchased back to the community so it's not thrown away; understanding depth of food waste and where food purchasing on the front end can be modified to reduce food waste at the outcome
  - e. Looking further into Liability and Risk Management questions of offering this food back to our own students who are hungry.
2. Motion to approve minutes from September 23rd meeting
  - a. Rachel moves to approve; Victor seconds; All in favor.
3. Discussion on voting for committee chair and secretary positions.
  - a. Student co-leadership? Students interested, but overall concern that there would be high overturn. Revisit this next meeting.
  - b. Side discussion on members assigned to JCES but that never show up.
4. Green Fund mini-fund prospects
  - a. Food Recovery Network (Judy Arney)
  - b. Earth Week Internships (3, including Bobby Piper)
  - c. Sustainability Coordination (2?)
    - i. Table items b and c for next meeting.
  - d. Colletid bee awareness program - biology and marketing student collaboration (connect with Maggie McDermot); American Marketing Association (student association on campus)
5. Voting on current Green Fund proposals:
  - a. Bike Lights for the Light up the Nights Bike Light Program;

- i. Move to approve Victor; Rebecca seconds. Kelly calls to vote: 9 in favor; 0 opposed; 1 abstention.
  - b. Nalgene bottles with green messages to giveaway to students on campus; \$1500 for 200 bottles.
    - i. Calculated giveaway with asking for commitment to learn more about sustainability
    - ii. Moved Victor; Brandon seconds; All in favor: 10; 0 opposed; 1 abstention.
- 6. Next meeting will be at Wimberly 114
- 7. Spenser moves to adjourn; Shannon seconds.

## JCES Meeting October 21, 2016

### Attendees:

Laura Berry	
Spencer Garcia	Barrett Klein
Brandon Noble	Bridget Fish
Shannon Amberg	Dennis Rodenberg
Victor Hill	Dan Sweetman

### Guests:

Bobby Piper  
Bob Hetzel

1. Introductions
2. Discussion of absentee members of JCES:
  - a. Considering a floating student representative position on JCES for representation (or student "at large" seat for JCES) - this may make it easier for students to fill the spot since many students have class at 11:00 on Fridays; Consider for next meeting and vote on action for adjusting bylaws on this aspect of service and membership
  - b. What to do about absentee faculty/staff appointees? The issue is we need active members to reach a quorum on decisions - Will discuss and vote on an action for addressing and releasing absentee members to adopt criteria for decision-making into JCES bylaws.
3. Dr. Bob Hetzel visiting administrator - introducing himself to us and explaining his role at UWL and how he may be able to assist JCES in their mission and goals.
  - a. Expressed interest and dedication to sustainability initiatives on campus and how we've made tremendous progress on sustainable upgrades on campus.
  - b. Concerns about not spending the Green Fund monies
    - i. Discussion about how to successfully approve projects, but running into problems with values conflicts over what JCES suggests is a valuable initiative versus what is perceived by SUFAC is priority and important; Dr. Hetzel suggests having very pointed discussions with SUFAC on moving forward with progress, perhaps suggesting to rewrite bylaws of Green Fund.
  - c. 8 years of budget cuts have restricted the possibilities for funding a Sustainability Coordinator position - he suggests that we push this as a priority.
  - d. What about using Green Fund monies to support a partial appointment for the short-term to prove the viability of the position and benefit to the student body.
4. Discussion for next meeting - revive the initiative for the Sustainability Coordinator position; having a discussion about changing the Green Fund bylaws; student body voting on the change in the bylaws (changing the bylaws will be key to this movement).
- 5.

## JCES Meeting November 4, 2016

### Attendees:

Laura Berry	Rebecah Neitzel	William Doering
Spencer Garcia	Barrett Klein	Kay Dailey
Brandon Noble	Bridget Fish	Ben Golden
Shannon Amberg	Dennis Rodenberg	Rachel Steffen
Victor Hill	Dan Sweetman	John Pieper
Rachel Steffen		

### Guests:

Bobby Piper	Alysa Remsburg
Bob Hetzel	Kaysee Beckstrom
Judy Arney	Pauline Brown
Maggie Knight	Sahee Thao (filling the RHAC spot)

1. Introductions
2. Discussion of SUFAC proposal to change Green Fund bylaws to cover a \$25,000 deficit:
  - a. Judy Arney was present at Student Senate on November 3rd when this discussion occurred. Judy wanted JCES to be aware that this seems like a widely supported proposal within SUFAC and JCES needs to be aware as this would affect the amount of Green Fund monies available for sustainability projects on campus.
  - b. Suggestions:
    - i. Have a JCES faculty/staff and student come to SUFAC meeting on Monday to present our concerns about the use of Green Fund not in alignment with its original priority and goals;
    - ii. Speaking at Student Senate meeting on Wednesday to have a wider discussion (Bridget Fish will be in attendance)
    - iii. Strategize about potential avenues to help SUFAC cover the deficit
3. Dan Sweetman sharing news about winning the award for Institutional Energy Management (great news!)
  - a. Compiling all the energy-saving efforts taken on campus to show the overall energy conservation - even though we're increasing in square foot building space on campus, we are reducing energy use overall.
  - b. Alysa Remsburg asks if there's been any news stories or briefings been written to share this news and information? It's important milestones to share and increase visibility of this achievement. Article in campus connection? Dan Sweetman will ask Doug Pearson to write a short article for Campus Connection.
4. James Longhurst teaching a Sustainable Transportation class Spring 2016
5. Alysa Remsburg, teaches Environmental Sustainability on campus and wants students to have authentic learning opportunities through campus projects. She is wanting to get ideas from JCES on suggestions for sustainability projects on campus that are important for moving forward.

- a. Project suggestions:
  - i. Pollinator presence on campus
  - ii. Campaign to encourage students to connect to nature
  - iii. Raising awareness about food waste and reducing waste at the purchase point (thoughtful purchasing) vs. trying to figure out the best ways to dispose of waste after it is generated
  - iv. Helping with a campus food recovery program (aiding Judy Arney)
  - v. Creating a greener living guide for students
6. Bobby Piper - discussion of Green Fund mini-grant proposal to support an internship (or multiple) to put on a highly visible and engaging Earth Week celebration for UWL campus. Proposing funding for 3 people. Asking for funds now so the positions could be advertised on the Eagle Opportunity job board to increase visibility. 10-15 hours for \$650.
  - a. Who hires the students? Who advises? JCES subcommittee for Earth Week Celebration could create the interview questions/process, bring recommendations for acceptable candidates to the larger collection of JCES for final decision.
  - b. Shannon agrees to
  - c. Establishing the appropriate stipend payment - what's the best compensation? Establishing tasks and responsibilities for the job description;
  - d. Tabling discussion until next meeting
7. Colletid bee population on campus - Maggie Knight will be building an awareness and education outreach program/project on campus.
8. Move to adjourn Shannon; Spenser seconds.

## JCES Meeting November 17, 2016

### Attendees:

Rebecah Neitzel	William Doering	Laura Berry
Spenser Garcia	Barrett Klein	Sahee Thao
Brandon Noble	Bridget Fish	Ben Golden
Shannon Amberg	Dennis Rodenberg	Rachel Steffen
Dan Sweetman	John Pieper	Kelly Nowicki
Rachel Steffen	Kay Dailey	

### Guests:

Bobby Piper                      Katie Nauth  
Trenton Rubert (filling the RHAC spot)

1. Introductions
2. Discussion of potential subcommittees and potential members:
  - a. Earth Week Celebration subcommittee
    - i. Shannon Amberg, Laura Berry, Rebecah Neitzel, Kelly Nowicki
    - ii. Goal of coordinating efforts for a visible Earth Week celebration on campus; accepting anyone outside of JCES that are interested in working with us to coordinate this effort; overseeing student interns that would be doing much of the on-the-ground work
    - iii. Working with community groups on coming into campus to interact with students
    - iv. Working with faculty/instructors to use class experiences to contribute to the Earth Week activities
    - v. Integrate pollinator education into the outreach of this week
  - b. Colletid Pollinator Awareness Campaign subcommittee
    - i. Barrett Klein, Kelly Nowicki
    - ii. Goal is to encourage students and faculty to get involved in outreach and education
  - c. Digital Measures modifications subcommittee - put on hold
    - i. William Doering, Barrett Klein
    - ii. Tracking sustainability and environmental awareness activities for faculty and staff; easier to quantify activities for STARS accounting
  - d. Marketing subcommittee
  - e. Sustainability coordination subcommittee
  - f. Special projects
3. Spenser moves to package the 4 weeks of minutes for approval; Shannon seconds; 16 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstained.
  - a. Barrett moves to approve the minutes; Shannon seconds; 16 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstained.

4. Voting on the establishment of standing subcommittees within in JCES (subcommittees distilled and reorganized down to the following):
  - a. Marketing; Sustainability, Earth Week Celebration; Special Projects (including digital measures; Colletid pollinator, etc.)
  - b. Spenser moves to approve; Rachel seconds; 17 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstained.
5. Discussion of the Green Fund status - Spenser updates on Student Senate plans to address a \$25,000 deficit and the use of Green Fund monies to make up this deficit.
  - a. Adjusting the Green Fund fee to help cover the deficit
  - b. Instituting a minimum fee that will always be in place.
6. Discussion of Green Fund proposal for bike share program (Dennis Rodenburg)
  - a. Funding bike share program on campus and community for a total request of \$65,000 (over three years). 12 bikes on campus, 3 years to see how the program would work over the longer term and build ridership; UWL bike hub would be the first in La Crosse and others could sign on after to increase bikes per capita in the community, increasing sustainable transportation for students and community members. Zagster is the provider and facilitator; they assume all liability; UWL logo
  - b. Barrett moves to vote on approval; Kelly seconds; Green Fund Coordinator (Rachel Steffen) has already approved. Dan Sweetman suggests we wait to review all applications at one time to make sure we consider all projects at once for potential approval. Voting is tabled until all applications are submitted.
  - c. Suggestion for refining the proposal to include that a UWL student internship is included in the proposal for the Driftless Region Bike Coalition to facilitate the operation of the program (guaranteed position to help with marketing the program).
7. Shannon moves to adjourn; Dennis seconds. All in favor.

## JCES Meeting December 2, 2016

### Attendees:

Rebecah Neitzel	Shannon Amberg	Bridget Fish
Ben Golden	Spenser Garcia	Laura Berry
Brandon Noble	Rachel Steffen	Barrett Klein
Victor Hill	Dennis Rodenberg	William Doering
Kay Dailey	Kelly Nowicki	Dan Sweetman
Trenton Rubert		

### Guests:

Bobby Piper	Katie Nauth	Rob Hanson (Chartwell's Chef)
Christy Ihike (Chartwells)	Pauline Brown	Nathan Barnhart
Megan Salvin	Rory Van Rooyen	

1. Discussion of subcommittees assignments:
  - a. Earth Week Celebration
    - i. Shannon Amberg
    - ii. Laura Berry
    - iii. Rebecah Neitzel
    - iv. Kelly Nowicki
    - v. Kay Dailey
    - vi. Spenser Garcia
    - vii. Brandon Nobel
  - b. Marketing & Website
    - i. Rebecah Neitzel
    - ii. Victor Hill
    - iii. Kay Dailey
  - c. Sustainability Coordination
    - i. Rachel Steffen
    - ii. Shannon Amberg
    - iii. Kelly Nowicki
    - iv. Ben Golden
  - d. Digital Measures
    - i. William Doering
    - ii. Barrett Klein
  - e. Special Projects
    - i. Colletid Pollinators
      1. Barrett Klein
    - ii. On hold? Digital Measures modifications
      1. Barrett Klein
      2. William Doering

2. Discussion to organize projects by level of importance on the whiteboard (represented in table format). It is suggested that we vote on their approval based on how they are organized by importance after group agreement. Rachel motions to vote on the proposals as a package for approval; Spenser seconds. There is further discussion. JCES members then all vote against as it was pointed out that the package voting would not work based on subtle disagreement on priority.
3. Discussion moves to evaluation/voting of Green Fund Proposals each individually again:
  - a. **Ride Share Bike Program**- discussed last meeting; proposal is reexamined for the adjustments and recommendations that JCES suggested for improving the proposal and clarifying program details, including size, where revenue from the program goes, and possibility for student internships within the program. Total project amount: \$61,280
    - i. How does this impact the UWL Green Bikes and Outdoor Connection bike rentals? Different spans of time for rental and price competitive. It's possible that these programs would be affected but not clear what level of impact.
    - ii. Can stop the program at any time if we're not satisfied. Proposal is for 3 years but UWL could stop at any time if it's not working.
    - iii. **JCES voting and recommendations on this proposal:**
      1. Motion to recommend this proposal at high priority/importance (Victor), Bill seconds. 8 in favor; 3 opposed, 1 abstained.
  - b. **Solar Photovoltaic fixed roof system for the REC addition** - a proposal that is reworked and resubmitted from last Spring 2016. *Total project cost: \$100,000*
    - i. REC would do upkeep on the panels.
    - ii. What is the electricity savings by doing this? 4% of the annual electric would be conserved by using this system, saving an estimated \$3500. This would be a 30-40 year payback for the system. Questions arising over visibility of the effort to move toward sustainability (seeing the solar panels) versus the actual cost savings and how this will directly impact or benefit students (limited payback and limited direct impact on student body).
    - iii. **JCES voting and recommendations on this proposal:**
      1. Rachel moves to vote on moderate priority/importance; Rachel Steffen moved, Bill Doering seconds; 7 in favor; 5 against; 0 abstain.
  - c. **Proposal for Garden Towers** (6 in total) for Student Union by Chartwell's Sr. Chef Robb Hanson; *Project total cost: \$6,413.*
    - i. Proposal to have garden towers to provide supplemental greens, herbs, and some vegetables for the campus dining system; an aero-hydroponic

system that is proven technology that can be used indoor as well as outdoor; student interest and support for this opportunity.

- ii. Where placed in Student Union? Student access to them or just observing? Potential for student internships for care over the summer and through the semesters; Outreach and teaching opportunities for those interested in learning.
- iii. **JCES voting and recommendations on this proposal:**
  - 1. Kay motions; Victor seconds for high priority/importance; 12 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstain

d. **Outdoor Connection proposal to repurpose trees** that will be affected by the construction of the REC addition. *Project total: \$14,933*

- i. Cost for 4 trees to be repurposed would actually be \$8,953, turned into sculptural pieces that would also be functional for the OC space that people could see and use.
- ii. Including signage to tell the story of how the trees were repurposed.
- iii. **JCES voting and recommendations on this proposal:**
  - 1. Motion for approving at moderate priority/importance (Rachel moves), Bill seconds; 7 in favor, 5 opposed, 0 abstain

e. Colletid Pollinator Outreach campaign on campus; Project total cost: \$1000

- i. Table this for next meeting.

4. Move to adjourn (Shannon); Ben seconds. Meeting adjourned at 12:25 pm.

## JCES Meeting December 16, 2016

### Attendees:

Rebecah Neitzel	Shannon Amberg	Bridget Fish
Ben Golden	Spenser Garcia	Barrett Klein
John Pieper	Laura Berry	Dan Sweetman
Dennis Rodenberg	William Doering	Barrett Klein
Kay Dailey	Kelly Nowicki	

### Guests:

Maggie Knight	Katie Nauth
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1. Approval of meeting minutes for November 17 and December 2 meetings
  - a. Barrett moves; Dennis seconds; 11 in favor, 0 opposed; 0 abstain
2. Revisiting and finalizing subcommittee assignments
  - a. Do we need conveners? May be necessary in some groups; leave up to each subcommittee.
3. Evaluation of mini Green Fund application - Colletid pollinator awareness campaign; project total \$2000
  - a. Bringing awareness to pollinators that use campus as habitat; sign postings that will stand up to the weather and elements, lectures, presentations, and education available.
  - b. Spenser asks questions about choice of printer and when that would be made (expenses would relate to this choice); Dennis asks if pollinator nesting sites shift from year to year (Barrett believes that they use the same locations year-to-year).
  - c. Dan Sweetman urges that any signage will need to be designed with open communication with facilities management regarding placement, design (university standards for exterior signage), and installation. All this would need to be approved through Dr. Hetzel before moving forward.
  - d. Related questions and concerns - is there anything the Grounds department should not be doing in the spring to protect the nesting grounds? Barrett indicates that there should be some discussions. Currently there are plans to renovate Wittich Hall and one of the nesting areas may be in danger of excavation as the renovation begins (Barrett needs to contact Scott Schumacher asap to start discussions about protecting the habitat).
4. Discussion of possibly inviting Alex Lueck (Xcel Energy) to discuss the Solar Program at UW-Eau Claire & UW-Stout.
  - a. Dan Sweetman adds that Alex would be attending with interests in finding funding for this effort.
  - b. JCES suggests that we could invite him for informational purposes and to explain the details of the project; agree for a 20 minute presentation.
5. Discussion of Energy Savings summary from January 2015-January 2016

- a. Presentation of much of the energy and money savings gained through sustainability projects.
  - b. Could JCES help to promote this information better on campus?
- 6. Move to adjourn meeting (Shannon); Kay seconds. Meeting adjourned at 12:13 pm.

## JCES Meeting January 27, 2017

### Attendees:

Rebecah Neitzel	Shannon Amberg	Barrett Klein
John Pieper	Laura Berry	Dan Sweetman
Dennis Rodenberg	William Doering	
Kay Dailey	Victor Hill	Ben Golden
Rachel Steffen		

### Guests:

Maggie Knight	Katie Nauth	Alysa Remsburg
Noah Giebink	Natalie Burgess	Bobby Piper
Mitch McCloskey		

1. Introductions for the new people attending
2. Approval of meeting minutes for December 16 meeting
  - a. Shannon moves to approve; Barrett seconds 12 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstain
3. Revisiting and finalizing JCES roster for voting members
  - a. Barrett is updating the file and will email to Shannon to create a formal roster list
4. Revisiting subcommittee assignments; inviting people not assigned to choose a subcommittee
  - a. Digital Measure subcommittee is added to the list
5. Discussion of Alex Lueck (Xcel Energy representatives) on 10 Feb (15-20 minutes) to talk about the Solar Program at UW-Eau Claire & UW-Stout and how this could apply to UWL.
  - a. JCES supports the visit from Alex
6. Discussion of new proposals for this semester:
  - a. Should JCES devote two meetings to Green Fund proposals (vs. 1) to have enough time to examine and vote on them?
    - i. Deadline for project proposals will be earlier so there is more time to evaluate and examine each.
    - ii. Need to provide more context on the projects when they are referred to SUFAC to help make their decisions easier for them when trying to approve Green Fund projects.
    - iii. We need to have a discussion with SUFAC about their expectations for feedback from JCES on Green Fund projects. Perhaps inviting a SUFAC representative to sit on JCES.
  - b. Follow-up to Dan's UWL Sustainability Review - go over that later this semester
  - c. Presentation about savings & sustainability at UWL by Dennis and John later this semester
  - d. Tour of UWL by Dennis, John, Rebecah to see first-hand all the sustainability initiatives operating on campus.

- e. Potential to invite outside speakers to campus for a campus-wide event to promote the environment and sustainability.
    - i. EO Wilson; Bernie Sanders; Former EPA Director Gina McCarthy
  - f. Getting involved in the recycling and clean-up effort after Oktoberfest; more collaboration with residence halls and neighborhoods for more access to recycling dumpsters and proper disposal of recyclables.
7. Shannon moves to adjourn; Laura seconds; 13 approve; 0 oppose; 0 abstain
  8. Meeting adjourned 12:00 pm.

## JCES Meeting February 10, 2017

### Attendees:

Shannon Amberg  
John Pieper  
William Doering  
Dan Sweetman

Barrett Klein  
Laura Berry  
Victor Hill  
Kelly Nowicki

Natalie Burgess  
Dennis Rodenberg  
Rachel Steffen

### Guests:

Jeremy Ames  
Katie Nauth

Bobby Piper  
Pauline Brown

Alex Lueck (Xcel Energy)

1. Introductions for the new people attending;
2. Approval of meeting minutes for January 27 meeting
  - a. Kelly moves to approve; Victor seconds; 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain
3. Reporting from subcommittees:
  - a. **Digital measures group** - setting up a personal meeting with IT to push things forward with creating a way to tag for sustainability activities in the system; Perhaps moving toward an effort to get feedback from faculty and staff on the reporting of their own sustainability activities. More complete update at the next JCES meeting.
  - b. **Sustainability coordination group** - working on the sustainability website as the communication tool for environmental sustainability on campus; "Integrating sustainability into curriculum" workshop on campus is moving forward.
  - c. **Earth Week Coordination** - have reserved rooms in anticipation for use with guest speakers and panel discussions; recruiting clubs to create activities for the week; Art department featuring environment themed art that week; Yoga event on Eagle field with a mindfulness activity focused on the Earth; a collective at the clock tower with a focus on environmental poetry; a "tell us what you love about Earth" board; keynote speaker (?); featured film (?).
4. Discussion of the UWL student segregated fees and students being able to opt out of certain fees; this shift could mean that Green Fund seg fee is affected.
5. Alex Lueck presentation on solar array and alternative energy; what is the opportunity for UWL? Subscribe to the production of green energy through the solar garden being located in La Crosse.
6. Dan Sweetman - asking for help with consolidating all the sustainability-related content into one place; soliciting ideas on what to include or change; once it everything is consolidated, it won't be changed again.
7. Shannon moves to adjourn; John seconds; All in favor.

## JCES Meeting February 24, 2017

### Attendees:

Shannon Amberg	Barrett Klein	Natalie Burgess
Laura Berry	Dennis Rodenburg	Victor Hill
William Doering	Adam Driscoll	Rachel Steffen
Dan Sweetman	Kelly Nowicki	Rebecah Nietzel
Pauline Brown	Ben Golden	Kay Dailey
Ben O'Connell		

### Guests:

1. Introductions for the new people attending
2. Meeting Minutes from last meeting - Rachel moved and there was a 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed.
3. Old Business:
  - a. Student Co-Chair discussion – Pauline Brown shared her interest this position. Barrett stated that we could do a trial run and consistency. Pauline would take SFS spot.
  - b. Vote for co-chair 13, 0, 0.
4. New Business:
  - a. Dumpster Diversion program from Charlie Weeth, La Crosse Neighborhood Association representative
5. Evaluation of a Green Fund mini-grant - Expanding the campus garden by 1 garden bed
  - a. Botany and Plant Biology club submitting the proposal
  - b. Materials for building an additional garden bed, specifically for perennial herbs and roots (\$699.54)
  - c. Barrett moves to approve; No second
  - d. Dan moves to wait to evaluate proposal to confirm that MVAC is fully aware of the expansion, as well as facilities; Victor seconds; 14 in favor; 0 oppose; 1 abstain
6. Green Fund grant proposals due March 20th
  - a. The JCES meeting following the due date will need to be longer to ensure adequate time for evaluating each proposal and voting for funding priority.
7. Bringing on a high profile speaker for University-level event - prospects include E.O. Wilson, Bernie Sanders, etc. Proposal to use Green Fund monies would need to come from a student, but with support from interested faculty.
8. Subcommittee updates:
  - a. Digital Measures for including sustainability measures in tracking - conversations with Aaron Monty; a lot of support right now, but plans for overhauling and streamlining the process which could create challenges for adding the sustainability tracking to the process. More meetings will take place to discuss this as a possibility.
  - b. Colletid Bee project - Wittich Hall renovation will affect the nesting area of the pollinators on campus; Dennis is talking with facilities to see how these areas can be preserved during the renovation process; Is there an awareness or marketing

campaign to help students and campus community understand what's happening here? That is the intent but need to pick up the pace on this (any volunteers to help?); getting University Communications involved (Kirsten and James Bushman).

- c. Sustainability coordination - Dan has student interns working on website information consolidation and more user-friendly for information sharing and mobile viewing. Continuity in the internships? The hope is to have someone in place during the academic year but we could attach responsibility to the managers of the Green Fund.
  - d. Earth Week - next meeting.
9. Car Share program update (Victor Hill) - cars are not being used a whole lot; intern and Enterprise need to increase marketing efforts. Ways to incentivize alternative transportation on campus and available for students/staff/faculty.
  10. Discussion of status of Fall 2016 Green Fund projects.
  11. Shannon moves to adjourn; Kelly seconds. All in favor.

## JCES Meeting March 10, 2017

### Attendees:

Shannon Amberg	Barrett Klein	Natalie Burgess
Dennis Rodenburg	William Doering	John Pieper
Rachel Steffen	Dan Sweetman	
Rebecah Nietzel	Kay Dailey	
Pauline Brown	Ben O'Connell	

### Guests:

Katie Nauth                      Judy Arney  
Josh Gondu  
Bobby Piper  
Charley Weeth (Vice President of La Crosse Neighborhoods, Inc.)

1. Updates on the "Integrating Sustainability Across Disciplines"
2. Approval of meeting minutes from last meeting - Barrett moves and Shannon seconds. 11 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstain.
3. Pauline Brown voted in as student co-chair of JCES.
4. Car share intern (Josh Gondy) visiting to help understand ways to improve participation in the program; looking to JCES for some ideas on how to market the program.
  - a. Could we have a demo time slot during Earth Week?
5. Charley Weeth (VP La Crosse Neighborhoods, Inc) - talking about the issue of excessive curbside trash, items, and household hazardous waste during the moveout time at the end of the school year (much of which is useful materials, including clothes, food, electronics, games, furniture).
  - a. Animal scavengers and people looking for metals then become problematic in the neighborhood. City of La Crosse hires a contractor to pick up the large items and then pays to dispose of it (expensive).
  - b. Reaching out to students to initiate involvement in an exchange of useable furniture and donating other useable goods to the appropriate places for recycling. Any way to incentivize the proper disposal and recycling of move-out materials?
  - c. Is JCES interested in taking responsibility for moving the effort along?
  - d. A need for sitting with City of La Crosse recycling manager to discuss options for viable solutions in this problem; perhaps JCES can be a partner in brainstorming the way forward? JCES brainstorming ideas for potential solutions and how JCES can be a partner moving forward.
6. Nominations for a new Secretary - think about it and bring them forward.
7. Discussion of changing the bi-weekly meeting time to allow for better attendance for students.
8. Subcommittee updates:

- a. Colletid bees - good discussion with Doug Pearson about Wittich renovation and how to protect the breeding areas in the best way. Creating a map of the breeding areas and figuring out how to adjust the renovation activities to protect as much area as possible (possibly even setting up large fences around the nesting sites).
9. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

## JCES Meeting March 24, 2017

### Attendees:

Shannon Amberg	Barrett Klein	Natalie Burgess
Dennis Rodenburg	John Pieper	Adam Driscoll
Rachel Steffen	Dan Sweetman	Laura Berry
Rebecah Nietzel	Ben Golden	
Pauline Brown	Ben O'Connell	

### Guests:

Terry Glenn Lille  
Bobby Piper

1. Approval of meeting minutes from last meeting - Kelly moves and Victor seconds. 11 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstain.
2. Discussion of Green Fund grants:
  - a. Prominent environmental guest speaker (such as EO Wilson, who would be the preference) honorarium as part of the Students for Sustainability organization's Fall Sustainability Series. \$5000 amount to cover speaking fee, travel, food and stay.
    - i. Suggestion to refer this a medium priority but with preference for allowing this to happen sooner rather than later due to the prominence of speaker, his age, and the degree of applicability of the speaker's expertise to the science and environmental majors at UWL. Would like to have a conversation with SUFAC to allow flexibility
    - ii. Victor moves to approve; Adam seconds; 13 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstain.
  - b. Fashion Week featuring environmental sustainability as an issue within the fashion industry. Grant proposal to support the speaking fee and accommodation expenses for the keynote speaker for this event. Asking for \$2500.
    - i. Kelly moves to approve at high priority because of the potential for specific education opportunities; Natalie seconds; 13 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstain.
  - c. Roger Haring Stadium lighting project - replacing fluorescent lighting with more efficient bulbs, reducing electrical consumption by 20%. Potential for a \$450 refund credit that can be put back into the Green Fund account. Asking for \$1650.
    - i. Kelly moves to approve at the highest priority; Ben seconds; 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstain.
  - d. Eagle Hall LED lighting in stairwells; Asking for \$3173
    - i. Barrett moves to approve at highest priority; Rebecah seconds; 12 in favor; 0 opposed; 2 abstained.
  - e. Energy Saving Occupancy Sensors in Reuter for a residence hall (without occupancy sensors) to quantify energy savings and return on investment for a

larger scale deployment of similar sensors in other residence halls on campus.  
Asking for \$9200.

- i. Barrett moves to approve at the highest priority pending the removal of language referring to a pilot test for the effort and replace with language referring to the quantification of the success in energy savings; Laura seconds; 10 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstain.
- f. Water bottle filling stations - replacing 19 inefficient drinking fountains and replacing with efficient fountains with water bottle fillers. Asking for \$37,050.
  - i. Kelly moves to approve at low priority; Pauline seconds; Discussion - this is an important project in terms of the visibility of sustainability on campus. 10 in favor; 0 opposed; 2 abstain.

3. Meeting adjourned at 12:32

## JCES Meeting April 7, 2017

### Attendees:

Shannon Amberg  
John Pieper  
Rachel Steffen  
Rebecah Nietzel  
Pauline Brown

Natalie Burgess  
Adam Driscoll  
Dan Sweetman  
Ben Golden  
Ben O'Connell

Kay Dailley  
William Doering  
Laura Berry

### Guests:

Judy Arney  
Bobby Piper

Solvei Stenso-Nelo

1. Judy Arney - Green Fund mini-grant proposal
  - a. Purchasing 50 Diva Cup reusable menstrual cups to women students interested in using them on campus; inspired by the lack of tampon dispensers in bathrooms, the ones that are there, many do not work properly. The Diva Cups are a highly sustainable option for campus, as hundreds of pounds of tampons go into the landfill each year or into the wastewater system.
  - b. Rachel moves to approve the \$2000 toward the purchase of Diva Cups for this project; Kelly seconds. 12 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstain.
2. Approval of meeting minutes from last meeting - Rachel moves and Adam seconds. 14 in favor; 0 opposed; 0 abstain.
3. By-laws for Green Fund were successfully changed to include language around the promotion of sustainability.
4. Updates from sub-committees:
  - a. Earth Week subcommittee - all schedules finalized aside from the potential addition of the Diva Cup table for spreading awareness; marketing materials nearly finished and ready to distribute.
5. Discussion of changing of the JCES meeting day/time:
  - a. Monday or Wednesday around 1:00?
6. Discussion of nominations for a new Secretary
7. Discussion of JCES organized neighborhood clean-up effort that happens annually.
  - a. Can we organize an effort around diverting food waste from the garbage that accumulates around move-in/move-out time? Working with the campus food pantry.
8. Kelly moves to adjourn; Shannon seconds. Meeting adjourned at 11:52.