



Student Environmental Community for Sustainability

Minutes of the Meeting of Student Environmental Community for Sustainability (SECS)

Date: Tuesday, January 29th, 2008

Time: 6:30pm to 8:00pm

Place: Room C244, Confederation College

Attendees: Spencer Laing, Tom Casey, Riel Bouchard, Robert Carty, Pauline, Cassandra, Dave Finnelli (incomplete list)

Late arrivals: (incomplete list)

Agenda Items: 1) Introductions 2) Donation of Green Cups and Student Union recognition. 3) Community events and partners. 4) Talk about current initiatives. 5) Role call, making the group official and the SUCCI club handbook.

Motions: Pauline: Article and survey in Opus to piggy-back on the conference in Bali on the reality climate change (Seconded, Rob).

Spencer: Make a video of the Green the North Eco Conference (Seconded: Dave, Riel)

Spencer: Documentary nights showing relevant films ie. Who Killed the Electric Car, End of Suburbia, The Corporation.

Spencer: Motion on decision making model, role call.

Riel: Community organization should be nonhierarchical (Seconded, Rob)

Spencer: Benefit Concert featuring the musical stylings of Cosmic Granola.

Cassandra: Group should assist SUCCI in their mandates.

Pauline: Suggested that a takingitglobal.org group workbook be adopted by group.

Spencer: Change the meeting time from Tuesday to accommodate a member(s) with a conflicting schedule.

Spencer: Proposed SECS meet with LUST to coordinate activities.

Riel: Proposed making a documentary(ies) to promote the group.

Pauline: Suggested a core function of the group ought to be lobbying the government.

Pauline: A recognition award be given by the group to individuals who participate in green initiatives.

Spencer: Emphasized the group's function should be in assisting the faculty and administration on already existing projects.

Cassandra: Group should focus on measurable, tangible goals.

Riel: Awareness campaign demonstrating ecofootprints of various things.

Spencer: Recognizes awareness as a function of the group but emphasizes it shouldn't be the main effort.

Spencer: Suggests group petition SUCCI to levy a small fee on students for environmental initiatives for fundraising.

Pauline: Suggests the group use takingitglobal.org as a medium for organizing the group.

Spencer: Motion to elect members: Spencer, President (passed), Cassandra, Treasurer (passed) Robert, Chair (passed). Dave Finnelli will be considered somewhat of an Al Gore, having succeeded as becoming President for a short time. He will no doubt go on to win the Nobel peace prize.

Minutes recorded by Rob Carty