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| **GFC MINUTES** | | | |
|  | **Date 10-26-2018** | |  |
|  | **Time 10 – 11:30am** | |  |
|  | **Location PAC 4C** | |  |
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| **Chair(s):** Francesca Butler & Gregg Miller | | **Present:** Megan Styles, Haley Simpson, Nick Edwards, Marissa Jones, Lee Crank, Gregg Miller, Grant Luckhart, Jessica Miller, Caleb Froidcoeur, Chuck Coderko, Brian Beckerman, Dathan Powell | |
| **Secretary:** Lee Crank | | **Absent:** Chris Ryan | |
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| **Agenda Item:** LOIs immediately dismissed | | **Presenter:** Gregg | |
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| **Discussions:** | | | |
| * **Greasy Food Cut Back by Ashley McClinton – not realistic** * **UIS Recycle education – Incomplete – moved off the discussion table – encouraged to work with a like-minded LOI** * **UIS Thrift Store by Mariah Rowden – a green stretch. Jessica mentions the thrift store could be more like UIUC’s dump and run. Greg says commercial retail of previous students’ item would be a problem. Styles says it won’t be a full proposal – but Mariah should push this project into another direction – keep researching** * **Water Bottle Refilling Stations – Caleb originally wanted to dismiss this proposal but retracted his statement. These water bottle stations are accessory units that can be strapped on to existing water bubblers – Caleb’s concern was that he did not want to get rid of already working water bubblers in good condition.** * **Two massive solar panel projects – dismiss them or tell them to make a smaller estimate. Dathan mentioned projects do not have to deplete all our money – scale down solar or support other projects that make more sense. Chuck encourages a more holistic look upon solar projects.** * **Native Plant Planters – Rio Osborne – grounds crew and Brian are already doing a lot of work with native plants – putting native plants in pots would kill them – not feasible – encourage to work with a like-mind LOI (Prairies & Gardens LOI) – moved from discussion table** | | | |
| **Conclusions:** | | | |
| * **Greasy foods – dismissed from discussion** * **UIS Recycle education – dismissed from discussion** * **Thrift store – iffy, but still vote** * **Water Bottle Refilling Stations – good-to-go, vote** * **Solar Panel Projects – iffy, dismiss them or scale down proposal** * **Native Plant Planters – dismissed from discussion** | | | |
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| **Agenda Item: Green Energy LOIs** | | **Presenter: Gregg** | |
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| **Discussions:**   * **Solar Panels 1 & 2 removed from discussion** * **Solar Charging Stations by Nick Edwards – Fran says finding a spot in which it could work would be difficult – will it be noticeable to students? Nick says people are more likely to charge phones in a shaded area. Styles mentions that would could connect solar charging to existing lockboxes. If the lockboxes were outside – Gregg says they would have to be weather proof. Nick is not interested in lockboxes – Nick is more interested in benches – plop it in the sun and forget about it – possibly near student union. Chuck mentions cost sharing with the student union regarding Nick’s bench idea.** * **Light Pollution Reduction by Greggory Miller – not regarding library lights, but the outside spherical lights – there was a misinterpretation about which lights to focus on. Styles says it would require a lot of work with Chuck’s crew. Chuck explains not many light poles would get done/reduced – he told Gregg to talk to JOHN GRICE and KEITH STEWART – they will help get realistic prices. This proposal was moved forward.** * **EV Charging Station by Caleb Froidcoeur – “if you build it, they will come.” – there is an app that gives the location of charging stations – we want outside people to use them (not just students). Marissa asked if we could lease them. Chuck responded we could use some of the chancellor’s money and the Green Fees money – the GFC decides how many stations we want – the University takes the risks. We do not want to make multiple payments every year – against our proposal requirements. Chuck mentions a five-year lease because of state rules. Gregg moved this LOI for the next stage of the proposal** | | | |
| **Conclusions:** | | | |
| * **Solar Panels – not feasible unless scaled down** * **Solar Charging – benches, cost-share with the Union** * **Light Pollution – talk to JOHN GRICE and KEITH STEWART (are these the guys that play in the Rolling Stones?)** * **EV Charging Stations – choose where to put them Caleb – make a map – moved forward to next stage** | | | |
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| **Agenda Item: Green Food Service** | | **Presenter: Gregg** | |
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| **Discussions:**   * **UIS Composting 1 by Zane Nyhus – Zane has been developing this plan for quite some time, a lot of research, Styles says it needs more cost development. Caleb says it is the most realistic of all compost projects. People from the other composting LOIs should team up with Zane – Alexander Harrison & Claire Eaton. Jessica says food services show interests towards this project. Styles mentions if there could be any retrofits for food services – ther may be hidden costs. WHAT ABOUT COMPOST BINS!** * **UIS Composting 2 by Claire Eaton – Put into contact with Zane or encourage her to pursue another option – one with an in-vessel option, the other with another option.** * **Clam Shells by Francesca Butler – Joliet Junior College does it – works fantastic there – Caleb was issued a clam shell when signing up for his meal plan. Styles says there need to be a moment (here at UIS) when everyone can obtain their clamshell – like during orientation. More dishes for food services to wash? Or should it be students’ responsibility to wash the clamshells – Gregg also mentions five dollars to replace a lost clamshell. Fran says food services would have to wash them – do not want to spread germs at salad bar. Styles mentions a sticker on the iCard that allows students access to clamshell – Fran says clamshells would have barcodes. Work on the idea – research how other universities do it – move forward with this LOI** * **Greasy Food Cut Back by Ashley McClinton - NOPE** | | | |
| **Conclusions:** | | | |
| * **UIS COMPOSTING – KEEP ALL COMPOSTING OPTIONS ALIVE – PUT PROPOSERS INTO CONTACT WITH EACHOTHER** * **Clam Shell – research how other universities do it – figure out how man needed** * **Greasy Food Cut Back - NOOOPE** | | | |
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| **Agenda Item: Green Facilities** | | **Presenter: Gregg** | |
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| **Discussions:**   * **UIS Recycling by Courtney Hunsley – this is about outdoor recycling bins. Duel trash and recycling outdoors. Put around high traffic areas. Brian’s groundcrew can manage trash/recycling pickup.** * **Residential Recycling Bins by ??? – No one is recycling because there are no bins around their living spaces – convenience is the biggest factor when recycling. Dathan mentions relocating some blue recycling bins – would have to remap floor map. Styles responds with the idea of a resource exchange issue – can bins move from one building to another? She also mentioned there are recycling bins in storage somewhere around Res. Life.** * **Water Bottle Refilling Station Dorms by Brian Kelley (and friends) – costs going from last year’s proposal is ~$1,500 – 800 for the add-on, 300 for plumping cost, rest for labor/shipping – we have no left-over stations from last year. Caleb mentions there is a leaky water fountain in the library and maybe there could be a cost-share.** * **Water Bottle Refilling Stations Brookens Library by Elizabeth Guadarrama & Daramola Abina – merge the two water bottle refilling stations – prioritize!** * **TRAC Equipment by Caleb Froidcoeur – There may be a cost share, there may not be. This LOI is unlikely this round – requires more work, but don’t drop it!!!** * **Prairie Burn Equipment by Brian Beckerman (and friends) – Rothus, Ting & Beckerman become prescribed burners – there is no personal benefit. Chuck says the GFC could be behooved to pay for a small portion of this equipment – we need to influence/encourage the chancellor for funds. Grounds crew would own the equipment. There could be a possibly GPSI position as a prescribed prairie burner in the future!!** * **UIS Thrift Store by Mariah Rowdon – not discussed** * **Low-Flow Shower Heads by Tyler Pasley – talk to Res. Life, and talk to Chris about how much money can be used. This is a good project.** * **Green Roof 1 by Julia Meadows & Green Roof 2 by Paige Smith – there is room/space on the union – but costs could be too high. A garden on the roof is not viable – students not allowed on roof. Scale down or alter project – talk to chuck** | | | |
| **Conclusions:**   * **UIS Recycling – Have Courtney talk to Chuck – look at a catalogue and choose which disposal bins to put where** * **Residential Recycling – WE NEED A BIN CENSUS! Find the surplus of recycling bins – move them to residential areas – remap floor maps – easy, no cost LOI!!!** * **Water Bottle Refilling Stations – Prioritize which locations need refilling stations the most!** * **TRAC equipment – unlikely** * **Prairie burn equipment – Moved forward – but there are a lot of logistics** * **UIS thrift store – needs to be flushed out a bit more logistically** * **Low Flow shower heads – talk to Res. Life and Chris** * **Green roofs – moved forward, scale down or alter proposal – talk to Chuck** | | | |
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| **Agenda Item: Green Spaces** | | **Presenter: Gregg** | |
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| **Discussions:** | | | |
| * **Green Parking 2.0 by Caleb Froidcoeur – ITS GOOD, CALEB KNOWS WHAT HE IS DOING, ITS MOVED FORWARD, MAKE A GOSH DANG MAP OF THE PARKING SPACES SO WE CAN ALL KNOW WHERE THEY WOULD BE LOCATED** * **UIS Recycle Education by Kandis Middlebrooks – removed from discussion BUT put her in touch with Leadership for Life – costs no money** * **Resident Recycling Education by Sarah Deuhr – there is a problem with recycling education – we already have educational sings, but they are old. A bin overhaul along with a sing overhaul is needed! Saturn lids! No price estimate for Sarah’s proposed signage. Nick mentioned St. Louis zoo recycling sign and bins are a great example. Gregg, with an awesome idea, student involvement – “design the next recycling signage.” It teaches students and makes them involved.** * **Sustainable Gardens by Ben Collette – Already have community garden. Fran mentions filling Ben’s garden plots with cat nip because Ben is adamant about the gardens feeding local wildlife.** * **Winter Creeper Ivy by Caleb Froidcoeur – Brian’s thoughts: agrees to get rid of Ivy but does not agree with replacing it with another exotic species. Grant mentions Virginia Creeper.** * **Kids for Compost – previously funded – moved forward** * **Living Wall by Haley Simpson – Union has funding set aside for art pieces – this could be one. Chuck proposes put in library – to hide the ugly windows. Or maybe the PAC. Styles asked whether an architect would need to be hired. Haley responded – we can order already made, some are DIY, or hire someone. Water and drainage is a thing to consider. Might be really expensive – Haley, you should contact Mike Miller** * **Native Plant Planters by Rio Osborne – NOPE – work with Ben and Nathan** * **Beekeeping 1 by Emily Johnson – what kind of bees are we working with here? LLCC has a bee crew – learn from them. Brian would like this implemented. We could train a student. JACOB and EMILY should work together to create something fuller. Chancellor wants to sell honey and candles to support the campus garden – we cannot fundraise, we ran into this problem with the stickers as stated by Mister Caleb G. Froidcoeur Junior. Chuck mentions contacting the DNR – buying materials from them.** | | | |
| **Conclusions:** | | | |
| * **Green Parking 2.0 – all hail the King of Sustainability: CALEB FROIDCOEUR** * **UIS Recycle Education – put into touch with Leadership for LIFE** * **Resident Recycling Education – moved forward** * **Sustainable Gardens – not moved forward – Ben Collette , Nathan Fox, and Rio Osborne could all work together on a different project – find new spaces with Brian’s consent** * **Winter Creeper Ivy – low maintenance issue, replace with native plant – NOT PERIWINKLE** * **Kids for Compost – previously funded – moved forward** * **Living Wall – Union has already bought art pieces, contact Mike Miller, might be really expensive – moved forward** * **Native Plant Planters – nope – work with Nathan and Ben on another project** * **Beekeeping 1 – JACOB and EMILY work together to create something fuller** | | | |
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| **Agenda Item: Late Submissions** | | **Presenter:** | |
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| **Discussions:** | | | |
| * **Bicycle Parking by Shawn Stumph – Res Life has bike racks stored somewhere. Shawn needs to specify where the racks would be located – could be in the way for snow removal. A possible free project.** * **Prairie Grasses by Nathan Fox – merged with Ben and Rio** * **Beekeeping 2 by Jacob Brodt – merged with Emily** * **Composting 3 by Alexander Harrison – merged with Zane and Claire** | | | |
| **Conclusions:** | | | |
| * **Bicycle Parking – send Shawn to Chuck and Brian – ask what kind of style he wants – bolt down or another style?** | | | |
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| **Agenda Item: THE VOTE** | | **Presenter: CALEB** | |
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      * Solar Panels 1- Samantha Harris
        + 1 yes – 10 no
      * Solar Panels 2- Josh Mesik
        + 2 yes – 9 no
      * Solar Charging Station- Nick Edwards
        + 9 yes – 2 no
      * Light Pollution Reduction- Greggory Miller
        + 10 yes – 0 no
      * EV Charging Station- Caleb Froidcoeur
        + 10 yes – 1 no
    - **Green Food Service** 
      * UIS Composting 1- Zane Nyhus
        + 11 yes – 0 no
      * UIS Composting 2- Claire Eaton
        + 7 yes – 4 no
      * Clam Shells- Francesca Butler
        + 10 yes – 0 no
      * Greasy Food Cut Back- Ashley McClinton
        + 0 yes – 11 no
    - **Green Facilities**
      * UIS Recycling- Courtney Hunsley
        + 11 yes – 0 no
      * Residential Recycling Bins
        + 11 yes – 0 no
      * Water Bottle Refilling Station Dorms- Brian Kelley (and friends)
        + 10 yes – 1 no
      * Water Bottle Refilling Station Brookens Library- Elizabeth Guadarrama, Daramola Abina
        + 11 yes – 0 no
      * TRAC Equipment- Caleb Froidcoeur
        + 3 yes – 8 no
      * Prarie Burn Equipment- Brian Beckerman (and friends)
        + 4 yes – 7 no
      * UIS Thrift Store- Mariah Rowden
        + 2 yes – 9 no
      * Low- Flow Shower Heads- Tyler Pasley
        + 11 yes – 0 no
      * Green Roof 1- Julia Meadows
        + 6 yes – 5 no
      * Green Roof 2- Paige Smith
        + 6 yes – 5 no
    - **Green Spaces**
      * Green Parking 2.0- Caleb Froidcoeur
        + 11 yes – 0 no
      * UIS Recycle Education- Kandis Middlebrooks
        + 7 yes – 4 no
      * Resident Recycling Education- Sarah Deuhr
        + 11 yes – 0 no
      * Sustainable Gardens- Ben Collette
        + 10 yes – 1 no
      * Winter Creeper Ivy- Caleb Froidcoeur
        + 11 yes – 0 no
      * Kids for Compost- L4L Sustainability Committee
        + 9 yes – 1 no
      * Living Wall- Haley Simpson
        + 9 yes – 1 no
      * Native Plant Planters- Rio Osborne
        + 5 yes – 6 no
      * Beekeeping 1- Emily Johnson
        + 10 yes – 1 no
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      * Bicycle Parking- Shawn Stumph
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      * Beekeeping 2- Jacob Brodt
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      * Composting 3- Alexander Harrison
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