

Green Action Fund General Committee Meeting Minutes

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OPENING and REPORTS

Call to Order (date and time) [Required] December 1, 2016

Roll Call (check off all members in attendance) [Required]

Alex Greanias
 Tessa Bronner
 Jeremy Nelson
 Mae Rohrbach
 Kimberly Reeves
 Julie Galusky

Reports (Summarize any reports given) [Required] None

PROJECT PRESENTATIONS

Project Presentation 1 (Record project name and summarize presentation)

Office of Veteran and Military Student Affairs Paper Reduction Initiatives

- \$1,800 for 5 iPads for the OVMSA to reduce paper use involved with forms and orientation materials
- Expected to save roughly 3,000 sheets of paper per year
- Will involve between 1,200 and 1,800 students who come into the office to fill out paperwork

Project Discussion 1 (Summarize points of discussion for first project presentation)

- Concern about no replacement plan -- they intend to come back to GAF for new ones eventually
- If they have an online form, why don't they just push for students to fill the form out at home?
- Ryan seems very committed to this project and it's great to have someone who will stick with it for 2+ years
- It seems like there will be good cooperation and data feedback from this project
- There are low scores in student involvement and education/outreach
- Is it reasonable to use student funds to buy office supplies for departments who already receive a budget from the university?
- Possible qualification: getting this office involved with Greening of the Office (GOTO), which involves an energy audit and other measures to increase the office's overall sustainability. This will broaden the scope of the project and increase student involvement.
- Possible qualification: any money saved on paper should go back to the students in some way
- GAF cannot fund replacement iPads for them in the future
- GAF possibly funds three iPads and the office pushes to have students fill out the forms online

Project 1 Vote

Enter votes of all members present: Yes, No, Yes with qualifications OR No Vote/Recuse/Absent

ENTER FINAL COMMITTEE DECISION and any notes.

Vote on 5 iPads with qualifications of participation in GOTO and a push for students to complete the forms online

Yes: Julie, Mae, Tessa, Alex, April (proxy)

No: Jeremy

Decision: Project passes

Project Presentation 2 (Record project name and summarize presentation)

Hyperloop Design Phase 2 -- Presentation took place on November 17, 2016

Project Discussion 2 (Summarize points of discussion for second project presentation)

- \$46,000 (towards a roughly \$200,000 budget), which will meet a matched funds to qualify them for another grant
- If GAF grants the \$46,000, they would apply to the other grant with no guarantee of funding for the rest of the budget
- This funding would be contingent on the team getting fully funded through other grants
- They do not currently have anywhere to move their operations after mid-spring when the cyber security organization moves into the building they are currently borrowing

Project 2 Vote

Enter votes of all members present: Yes, No, Yes with qualifications OR No Vote/Recuse/Absent

ENTER FINAL COMMITTEE DECISION and any notes.

Vote on full \$46,179.68, contingent on the team finding full funding before spending any GAF dollars

Yes: Mae, Alex, Julie, Tessa

No: April (proxy), Linda (proxy)

Recuse: Jeremy

Project Presentation 3 (Record project name and summarize presentation)

Bookstore Paper Initiative

- \$260 to fund the difference between current paper and a new multi-purpose sugar cane paper:
- Paper is 100% recycled. The paper uses bagasse, which is normally a waste product. The paper is compostable and recyclable.
- Currently using 30% recycled paper
- Paper mostly goes into receipts for online orders
- Purchasing one pallet, which will last about two years and save about 17 trees, 3,859 gallons of water, 2,330 pounds of greenhouse gasses, and 129 gallons of oil, when compared to 0% recycled paper
- Plan to educate through their previously established "Did You Know?" campaign
- Student employees will increase student involvement through word of mouth with customers
- They currently have a brochure about how the bookstore is not-for-profit and they intend to share information about the paper in that brochure
- Will be tracking how many orders are processed (how many students are impacted) and how many reams are used each month, year, semester, etc.
- Paper is not bleached
- Bookstore purchases paper normally for \$1,700 a pallet -- this paper will be \$1,960 a pallet

Project Discussion 3 (Summarize points of discussion for second project presentation)

- They need to get a sample to make sure it works with the printers and that the copy center will approve of it.
- Request that they print a line at the bottom of receipts rather than print posters for hanging up
- Qualification: Bookstore participates in Greening of the Office

Project 3 Vote

Enter votes of all members present: Yes, No, Yes with qualifications OR No Vote/Recuse/Absent

ENTER FINAL COMMITTEE DECISION and any notes.

\$260 for the difference, contingent on them participating in Greening of the Office

Yes: Jeremy, Julie, Tessa, Alex, Mae, Linda (proxy), April (proxy)

No: none

Decision: Project Passes!

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS

1st Order of Business (Summarize first agenda item and any decisions or action items) [Required] None

First Motion under 1st Order of Business No answer submitted.

Second Motion under 1st Order of Business No answer submitted.

Summarize any decision or action taken by committee under 1st Order of Business No answer submitted.

First Motion under 2nd Order of Business No answer submitted.

Second Motion under 2nd Order of Business No answer submitted.

Summarize any decision or action taken by committee under 2nd Order of Business No answer submitted.

First Motion under 3rd Order of Business No answer submitted.

Second Motion under 3rd Order of Business No answer submitted.

Summarize any decision or action taken by committee under 3rd Order of Business No answer submitted.

2nd Order of Business (Summarize second agenda item and any decisions or action items) [Required] None

3rd Order of Business (Summarize third agenda item and any decisions or action items) No answer submitted.

ADJOURNMENT

Any further notes or discussions (add any other items for the record here)

Julie: Wants to schedule a meeting over winter break to discuss our mission and purpose
Alex: Don't forget Sea to Shining Sea is tonight!

Adjournment (Date and time of end of meeting) [Required] December 1, 2016 10:32 am
