PCC Meeting Notes
November 8, 2011

Present: Akin, Chelf, Cook, Isenhour, Jansen, Kirchner, Messer, Miles, Nicoletti, Stanley

The good news

- Farm to Cafeteria event, Monday 14, in Warehouse. Organized by Prof. Kirchner and catered by Sodexho. All PCC folks are urged to attend.
- SGA campus improvements committee has two good ideas. Recycling of Solo cups via Terracycle (Facilities Management is supplying additional bins), and a water bottle filling station for Sutcliffe exercise room.
- The Eco-House is having shared meal with an invited speaker once each week.
- Recycling of e-waste was discussed, this deserves some follow-up.
- ECCO is sponsoring a tour of Mother Ann Lee hydro-station on November 12. All PCC folks are invited.
- ENS faculty are meeting with Dean Fabritius to discuss the current minor. Prof. Isenhour has collected information on minor and major programs at benchmark institutions.
- Eight students have inquired about self-designed major in environmental/sustainability areas.

We began discussion of two major questions and discovered they are sufficiently important to become a principle focus of a future meeting. The first issue is whether and how cafeteria operations should or could be added to the College’s Greenhouse Gas Inventory. Just because something is hard, doesn’t mean it shouldn’t be done. The second is the question of composting. We’ve discussed this briefly in the past and the difficulties with odor and rodents are significant. But again, methods and resources change and because of potential for waste reduction, this deserves more attention.

Biggest discussion was about developing a sub-committee structure. We settled on four committees and took volunteers to serve on each. (Then Miles assigned the folks that weren’t present!). The committees and members are below. The bold name is designated as convener. Each committee should convene immediately and begin work before our next general meeting, Thursday Dec 1.

**Curriculum & Student Engagement.**

Among other topics, this committee is asked to explore: Green Week, other special events, campus-wide survey, exercise bikes, publicity.

Members: Kirchner, **Kagan-Moore**, Akin, Cook, Chelf, Isenhour, Trollinger

**ACUPCC Progress Report**

Members: Jansen, Lohr, **Miles**, Hamm, Hornick

**Capital Improvements**

This committee is also charged with exploring alternative energy projects.

Members: **Noltemeyer**, Messer, Jamison, Miles, Nyerges, Isenhour, Chelf, Stanley, Crowley.

**Dining Hall Questions**

This committee is in serious need of a nicer name.

Members: Lohr, Kirchner, **Nicoletti**, Cook, Embrey, Mannino, Shirley