

Learning Green, Living Green Committee Meeting Notes
Thursday, July 23, 2009

Present: Ann Townsell, Kelly Martin, Kara Rogers Thomas, Doug Baer, Becca Ramspott, Monika Urbanski

1. **Update on yesterday's meeting between the LGLG Advisory Group and Dr. Gibraltar** – The Advisory Group discussed two strategic objectives of concern with Dr. Gibraltar:
 - a. First, the LGLG Advisory Group has developed recommendations for establishing permanent leadership in sustainability, and highlighted specific needs that have come to light during the development of FSU's Climate Action Plan. Dr. Gibraltar recognizes our need for a permanent position and plans to meet with representatives within Administration & Finance about possible options next week. He will keep the Advisory Group updated on this ongoing discussion.
 - b. Second, the Advisory Group voiced concerns regarding Strategic Objective M.CU.1: Shift to Renewable Energy. LGLG needs clarification on whether the purchase of renewable energy is within FSU's control or rather a decision made at the system level. This strategy is important because it has one of the greatest impacts on reducing emissions overall. We must identify any potential roadblocks now before finalizing our target dates for climate neutrality. Dr. Gibraltar will be in touch with the USM Vice Chancellor of Sustainability Don Boesch to get some insight into our questions related to purchasing renewable energy. He will keep us posted on this as well.
2. **Climate Action Plan Updates** – In today's meeting, the Advisory Group requested that all LGLG members review the attached Summary Strategy Implementation document to get an idea of how CAP strategic objectives are assigned to various working groups. By September, we will have three new working groups established: 1) Mitigation Strategies, 2) Finance and Research, and 3) Outreach. These groups will meet approximately once per month through the academic year and will be charged with implementation of CAP strategic objectives. We hope that all LGLG members can volunteer for one of the three working groups by the end of August. These groups are open to all interested FSU students, faculty, staff, alumni, and any community members, so please let your friends and colleagues know! If you are interested in becoming a member of one of the groups, please email lglg@frostburg.edu and let us know which group you are interested in joining.
3. **LGLG Climate Action Plan Presentation in September** – Leave your calendars open on Tuesday, September 8 and Wednesday, September 9. The LGLG committee will be presenting the Draft Climate Action plan through a series of presentations and poster sessions in Lane Center 201. If you are a faculty member, please add this event to your syllabi and encourage students to attend. We also hope to get the word out to any new FSU faculty and staff, so please spread the word. Details for these activities are not yet finalized, and we will keep you posted on the details.