

EPP Meeting Minutes: June 7, 2007

Attended by: Jenny Pearce, Brett Holt, Samantha Chirillo, Ben Lubbers, Matt Peterson, Kate Alexander

Called to order at 12:09

- I. Fall event
 - a. Proposal from last meeting was to have an event (lunch/afternoon panel) about what is environmental policy and planning. Bring in folks from Resource Innovations, Neil Bjorkland from City of Eugene, Rob Young, etc. Nice way to get everyone on the same page right away and let folks know what opportunities are out there on campus related to environmental planning and policy. Samantha recommended including conflict resolution and environmental law folks, too. This event will be similar to the sustainability panel from last fall. Ben recommended having the event in place by orientation so we can plug the event at the orientation. Matt P suggested having the event week 1 or 2. Brett is interested in making sure EPP advertises this event campus-wide and suggested having a table/information out in the EMU the day before the event.
 - b. Planning team:
 - i. Summer—Matt P., Jenny P, Samantha C. will organize planning the event
 - ii. Scheduling—Brett will take the lead on this.
 - iii. Developing outreach list—Kate will collect names/emails for announcing EPP events campus-wide. This list will be for event advertising and will be amended as necessary.
- II. Orientation event
 - a. Jenny will find out who is in charge. We will try to include an event/activity for just student groups so SAC and EPP can plug their groups. We will have flyers and make announcements about the fall event as well. Samantha recommended having EPP plan the outdoor hikes/events for the event.
- III. Faculty Advisor
 - a. Folks recommended Robert Young, Marc S. However it was determined that he is already occupied and busy with the student transportation group. Yichao was recommended as a backup if Robert can't do it.
 - b. Kate will talk with Rich about outgoing faculty advisor and will ask the proper etiquette for approaching Robert.
 - c. It is recommended that Aaron (as the new Sheriff in Town) contact Robert in whatever manner Rich recommends. If possible, the group thought contact should be made with Robert sooner rather than later.
- IV. Fun outdoor adventures
 - a. Samantha recommended having fun summer activities.
 - b. We also discussed some fun field trips—West Eugene Wetland tour with Neil, new park in Portland, transportation planning field trip in Portland (in partnership with the transportation planning group), Coast Range Association hike and camp out at 10mile Creek (community-based environmental planning in Coast Range),

Hendrick's park tour with Ben (new professional in the field of environmental planning)

- c. We discussed that it is harder to get people to commit to outdoor events because they are more of a commitment than a lecture. Keep this in mind when planning these sorts of events so you don't "waste time".
 - d. We liked the sound of calling "fun outdoor adventures" that include a professional/expert as "field trips"—and we want to do a field trip for EPP members every term to help us develop as professionals in the realm of environmental planning and policy.
 - e. The EPP list serve can be used to advertise a fun event prior to orientation that can recruit students who are in town early getting ready for school to start!
- V. EPP Summer
- a. EPP listserve can be used to advertise fun summer events
 - b. Matt P, Jenny and Samantha will organize more meetings to plan the fall event—Brett will help with logistics
 - c. Aaron (and someone else if Aaron's work schedule requires) will take the recommended steps for approaching Robert Young
- VI. Other announcements
- a. Brett's a website guru and rockin the house on website updates...
 - b. Matt P and Brett met with EWEB re: Earth Day event and sounds like there are lots of opportunities for EPP to be involved. One idea was a student-film event the event leading up to Earth Day. In September we'll need to figure out a theme. Ben recommended using this event as a way to get a new EPP member involved.
 - c. Teach-in on Climate Change tonight at 7pm in 100Willamette
- VII. Matt S's attitude—He was afraid to come to the meeting and he said he didn't have time to take crap from Kate.