Environmental Stewardship Committee

Minutes

9/27/2010

Attendance: Terry, Terri, Erin, June, Trissy, Vanessa, Sally, Katie

1. Fall Festival
   - Will take place at the farm on Th10/21
   - Still in planning stages, but activities may include music (Bob Pruitt), Veggie Dance (Ellen Turkel’s students), Speaker (Barry Logan), Speaker (CALPIRG), face painting for children (Wayne Hulgin), pumpkin carving contest, farm tours, arts and crafts sale, food (beans, rice, tortillas)
   - Volunteers needed at 10am to help set up; volunteers with Food Handler’s License needed to serve food (discussed working with SIFE to find students who can serve food)

2. Funds
   - Fundraising Efforts (money received goes to support farm and apprentices): Victory Garden Raffle Tickets will be sold for $10 a piece starting at the fall farm festival; Seeds will be sold at the fall farm festival; weekly farmer’s market (Tuesday mornings at farm); CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) available for $15
   - Grants: received stipend from Walmart grant; applying for USDA Connecting Community Gardens grant (Roots and City College); continually writing and applying for grants related to ESC and the farm

3. Curriculum
   - Launching Sustainable Agriculture Program (Terri): 2 new classes in fall, 2 more in spring; will include certificate programs in ecological landscaping, small gardener, small culinary arts, urban farmer as well as an AS degree within the next year
   - Working on certificate and AS degree in Sustainability (Katie) which will be more academic/theoretic versus Sustainable Urban Agriculture which would be more practical; programs would work together in fulfilling electives

4. Other
   - Planning Sustainability in Curriculum workshop (Terri)
   - Planning rain barrel installation workshop with non-profit rain barrel group
• Looking for DESC representation to make sure GHG Report results in a Climate Action Plan (Vanessa attends and can report back, June expressed interest in attending and reporting, discussed speaking with Thom Davies)

• Looking to advertise ESC Chair position for Spring 2011 (Erin to talk to David Fierro about process)