

**Academic Affairs**  
**Greening Initiative Core Team Meeting**  
**June 25, 2008 Draft Notes**

Bowman and Jennings will speak with Provost Hellenbrand regarding expanding the Sustainability's Core Team to include campus-wide representation.

Members should email Stephens, Vasishth, and Jennings with suggested individuals (staff/students/faculty) or areas that would be critical to the Greening Initiative as it moves forward. Bowman suggested inviting these campus partners to the next meeting.

Jennings reported that there is broad consensus among the deans for the Sustainable Institute. He expects to finalize details concerning the institute's structure, co-directors, and advisory board at an upcoming deans' meeting.

Bowman will forward the Wellness Team's webpage as a sample template for members' review (Wellness site not for public view).

Members to suggest links, information, etc. for inclusion on Sustainability's website; Bowman will work with Vasishth to develop the website.

Kurland and Zell will continue researching "green" businesses within Dan Blake's database(s) in an effort to identify future community partnerships. Bowman proposed asking businesses how they perceive CSUN can be a resource on topic of sustainability.

Kurland will develop a draft focus statement for members' review. The statement will touch upon the initiative's mission, core values, and strategic priorities, as well as its distinctive features. Members discussed the value of the initiative's multi-pronged approach where academia, education, research, and community outreach are central themes.

Bowman suggested a Greening Initiative "Road Show" in the fall; presentations could be made to the Senate Executive committee, the Faculty Senate, Council of Chairs, standing committees of the Faculty Senate, etc. Carpenter added that the committee might also consider contacting Brenda Roberts in University Advancement concerning a write-up in @csun.edu.

Members discussed the value of another (follow-up) Green Survey to faculty. Stephens or Jennings will facilitate the survey's transmission via the Department Chair listserve.

Vasishth will forward a short description of sustainability for Carpenter.

Members noted that students currently have the option of pursuing a sustainability-focused education via the Special Major (undergraduate) or Interdisciplinary Master's degrees. Carpenter will compile a listing of existing courses with a sustainability component; the list will be posted on the website once available.

Bowman will forward members information on the Community Campus Partnership for Health site.