**Environmental Affairs Board Minutes/Action Summary**

Associated Students

2.3.14, 6:15pm

Environmental Affairs Board Office (3rd Floor, Ucen)

Minutes/Actions recorded by: Kori Lay, on behalf of Risa Jensen

**CALL TO ORDER 6:15 PM by Rebecca Bracken, Co-chair**

**A. Roll Call**

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| **Name** | **Note:**  Absent, arrived late (time)  departed early (time) | **Name** | **Note:**  absent  arrived late (time)  departed early (time) |
| Kai Wilmsen, Co-chair |  | Chellsee Lee, Sustainable Business Chair | **Absent** |
| Rebecca Bracken, Co-chair |  | Mantha Carr, Earth Day Chair | **Left early (6:55PM)** |
| Risa Jensen, Administrator | **Arrived Late (6:25PM)**  **Left early (6:45PM)** | Heather Vest, Earth Day Chair |  |
| Alexandra Ballinger, Treasurer |  | Emily Lytle, Sustainable Foods Chair |  |
| Mackie Forgey, Publicity Chair |  | Sukayna Ibrahim, Environmental Justice Chair | **Absent** |
| Katy Blackburn, Social Chair |  |  |  |
| Tayler Reinman, Publicity Chair |  | Benjamin Liddie, Historian | **Left early (6:45PM)** |
| Shelby Skougard, Student Affairs Chair |  | Isabelle Geczy, Clean Energy Chair | **Left early (6:45PM)** |
| Gabby Schneid, Social Chair | **Arrived Late (6:25PM)** | Adrian Gabriel, Garden Manager | **Arrived Late (6:25PM)** |
| Kori Lay, Statewide Affairs Representative |  | Lauren Dykman, Green Bill Consultant | **Left early (6:45PM)** |
| Karina Paonessa, Volunteer Chair |  | Jenn Suh, Campus Affairs Coordinator |  |

1. **ACCEPTANCE of ACTION SUMMARY/MINUTES**

**Approval of our Action Summary/Minutes from 1/27/14**

*MOTION/SECOND: Jensen/Geczy*

*ACTION: Vote: 19 in favor, 0 abstain*

*ACTION* ***PASSES***

**E. PRESENTATION: “RE-IMAGINING CLIMATE JUSTICE” CONFERENCE**

**Ben:** Working with the Climate Action Theory, with John Foran and Emily Williams. Conference coming up this spring quarter, one Saturday.

* Want people involved: co-sponsor, participate, attend

**John Foran:** Sustainability champion! 7 people went to COP in Warsaw, Poland. Going to make a movie later in the year. Starting a high school program in the high schools in the area. **May 10th conference (9AM-12AM).** More than a conference!

* Pitched towards UCSB and larger SB area, including High school students (invite them to make art in the theme)
* 300-500 people in Corwin Pavilion
* Formal panels with speakers and Q&A
* Creative spaces, alternative ways of organizing
* Finalizing invitation to help plan the conference and contributing a session (75 min each, one in the morning, one in the afternoon). EAB will get an invite with goals
* Not Yet the End of the World -Youth Climate Justice movement film
* Party in Corwin til midnight
* Get people interested in the issues “Reimagining Climate Justice”
* Open space for creativity and fun!
* 7 Ucen Rooms, Corwin Pavilion, lots of space

**Emily Williams**: Works for CSSC and is apart of the research group. Came from EAB!

* Co-publicize for all of the events being planned (CSSC, Earth week)
* Getting students to think about climate issues
* Sustainable, social justice centered event
* EAB can get involved!
  + Come up with and host a session (workshop, interactive discussion, etc.)
  + Help in publicizing events to get people to get involved and to attend
  + Join the team in the visioning & planning process for the conference!
  + Help in co-sponsoring (help in visioning to make it effective and monetary)
    - Asking for donation of $500
      * UCen is $4000, will be subsidized by school architect
      * Food (lunch, coffee, dinner?) up to $4000
      * Materials (creative workspaces, videotape blog “What is climate justice?, publicity)
      * Whole budget is over $10,000
      * Raised ~$1,300 so far from various departments
      * Possible documentation
      * Not paying speakers, not inviting anyone from far away (reducing carbon emissions)
      * Put together inspiring montages of people from all over the world

**F. UPDATES FROM CORE OFFICERS**

**Co-Chairs: Kai Wilmsen and Rebecca Bracken**

* AS Recycling
  + Petition
    - Next meeting, AS Recycling is going to pass around their petition
  + Workshop
    - Tues Feb 11, AS Recycling is having a workshop at 1PM in the GSA, giving info about recycling, what is recycling and what is not, etc. Activity of upcycling an old t-shirt into a bag. Publicity could advertise for that at tabling
* TGIF proposals
  + extended to Feb. 7th
* CHESC (CA Higher Education Sustainability Conference)
  + is in San Diego this year, June after finals week, for a few days.
  + Accepting Proposals for people looking to host a workshop, put in opportunities section of newsletter
* EDC Anti-Ocean-Acidization Workshop
  + Matt, general member, had a working group about ocean acidization
  + someone from Environmental Defense Center put on a workshop in the SRB room 2293 6PM on Wednesday. Workshop is to train people that go to be more informed about fracking and ocean acidization to talk to people about this and spread the word about it.
  + Rebecca, Alexandra, Heather, Shelby going
* Film screening
  + *Selma Rubin and the Community of Life* on Tuesday at 7PM, downtown
* Voting - Zero Waste proposal
  + Waiting for everyone next week
  + Find out what other groups have funded them so far
* Videochat with Napolitano
  + Jenn’s report
    - students bashing her about Department of Homeland Security
    - Sustainability is a huge effort she’s pushing for
    - UCs reduce water uses by 20% by 2020
  + Kori: she wasn’t answering questions about undocumented students in any detail
* Supervisor Farr is coming to Wednesday meeting
  + bring questions to ask her at her discussion/working group
* Farming Internship
  + Sarah sent an email about internship opportunity with agricultural research center, Ecology Actions Summer internship for mini farming
  + Farms that will be hosting interns to teach them about sustainable agriculture and train you to go into classrooms and teach about it
  + In the EAB account and will forward it to core
* Water Conservation Tactics
  + Do a water saving, water conservation campaign
  + Draught is not really being addressed on campus
  + Make a simple sign that says we’re in a draught
  + Have scavenger hunt to find hydration stations
  + Reverse Osmosis takes 5x more water than you get out of it
  + Great way to promote vegetarianism
    - Have an eat in
  + Water price tag, how much water is needed for the shirt and what not
  + basic ways to save water (brushing teeth)
    - Positive spin, show how much water they save!
  + UCSB Sustainability is putting up pictures of Lake Cachuma over the past few years to show difference
  + Posters
    - on the bike path
    - Posters in the dorms
  + Digiknow Ads
  + RHA Environmental Chair and Hall Environmental Awareness
  + Collaborate with Energy Competition
    - Competition runs for 3 weeks
    - Put consumption graphs on Digiknows
    - Continue past the 3 weeks
  + Working group for water saving led by Kai and Rebecca
* Kai leading farmer’s market bike ride

**Statewide Affairs Representative: Kori Lay**

* Arlo doing working group for CSSC
* Convergence meeting sometime later this week
* Hall Council outreach to volunteer coordinators

**Clean Energy Chair: Isabelle Geczy**

* Keystone XL Pipeline Environmental Impact Report was released
  + Pipeline going from Alberta, Canada to the Gulf of Mexico
  + Transporting tar sands, causes most environmental degradation possible
  + Pipeline is what 350.org is rallied around
  + This is the extraction process that would push us way over our 350 ppm CO2 concentration
* Doing a rally downtown tonight-- candle light vigil & chanting and marching around downtown

**Sustainable Foods, Emily Lytle**

* Working group on Wednesday for Green Chef
* March 2nd is Green Chef, same day as camping trip
  + Won’t be a huge problem, different people will go to each!

**Volunteer Chair, Karina Paonessa**

* Adopt-A-Block
  + Good turn out at Adopt-A-Block
  + Discussion: having Adopt-A-Block in other parts of IV besides DP; They do that!
* Volunteer Opportunity
  + to help stranded marine wildlife, 20 minutes away and can carpool with someone from your shift

**Historian, Benjamin Liddie**

* QComm lock in fee petition
  + deals with the funding that funds everything queer on campus
  + Lock-in fee $2.12
  + Without this, the queer community groups would fall apart
  + Petition to get it on the ballot

**GreenBill Consultant, Lauren Dykman**

* Fairview Gardens volunteer day
  + Saturday Conflicting with MCC Social Justice day
  + Will do it another weekend later in the quarter
* Farmer’s market Picnic
  + Wednesday at 1PM, everyone come and buy snacks and picnic on the lagoon lawn
  + Text/email members whose contacts we have to invite them
  + Meet at the info table
  + Everyone purchasing their own food; eat together on lawn

**Social Chairs, Katy Blackburn & Gabby Schneid:**

* + Hike on Sunday at 11AM to Wind Caves
  + Picnic was just core, but fun!

**Earth Day Coordinator, Mantha Carr & Heather Vest**

* Greek Outreach
  + Talked to Adopt-A-Block guy about working with Greek Life, going to house meetings
  + Greeks Gone Green
  + Talk to volunteer coordinator or president
* Date
  + Meeting with Melissa to have it on April 28th, because all hope is lost to have anyone from outside of UCSB come to the event, move the weekend?
  + Discussion
    - Earth Day is aimed more towards students anyway
    - SB Earth Day is 2 days! That could still work
    - Stay in IV Saturday and we’ll go downtown the next day
    - People tabling downtown during our event
    - Earth Day downtown is huge, lots of tablers
    - Is there another choice? Not really
    - Ours will appeal to student groups to table over going downtown
  + Discussion: People’s Park last year did not allow for the same energy as Anisqoyo Park
    - People coming from all directions at all times, no way to contain festival
    - No fixed place for people to be
    - People walking through the whole time
    - Turnout and feel would be better if people were all in one area
    - Amphitheater is finished!
    - Will push people to stay longer
    - If not too far into paperwork, would be a good idea to switch to save money on stage and bathrooms
      * Make sure bathrooms are still available
    - Really good idea but visibility is a problem, push more on publicizing
      * Not hard to find if there’s music
    - Posters already printed with People’s Park
      * Put a piece of paper over that and write Anisqoyo

**Campus Affairs Coordinator, Jenn Suh**

* Wrote up org meetings and events on white board
  + Fill in info that is unfilled
  + All groups happen to meet MTW
  + At BC4 there was a sheet that had everyone’s meeting time and location
    - Kyley Scarlett should have it and it should be on the board in the AS Main office
  + Check those out and make sure it’s all accurate!

**Garden Manager, Adrian Gabriel**

* Garden party
  + went really well!
  + Lettuce & strawberries
  + one new EABer
* Buying herbs, need a ride Wednesday
* Beach clean up
  + March 9th, Sunday 12-2PM, CAB event
  + Same day as Ben’s walk to Butterfly Preserve
* Channel Island project
  + weekend of Feb 22-23, $1188, $75/person
  + $952 on a day that staff is there on March 1st
  + Money for boat fare and head staff person
  + Wednesdays are free
  + Asking more money from CAB
  + Proposal for TGIF?
  + $300 from EAB
  + Finance Board is another option
* SCORE Conference
  + Saturday Feb 22nd, FREE, just RSVP
  + Facing Race Complex, 10:45AM - 6PM
  + RSVP - send the link to EAB email
  + If you want to host a working group, let them know!
* Workshop for RCSGD, Intervening As An Ally
* MCC Social Justice Conference
  + Alexandra

**Treasurer, Alexandra Ballinger**

* Plans
  + Going on CAB alternative break to Mississippi, working with Teach for America
* Zine with HRB
  + being compiled: commodification of the UC
  + article on how UC Davis was against GMO Labeling
* Projects to collaborate with HRB?
* BC4
  + Restructuring of AS, when BCC electing new officers, senate has to approve everyone
  + Senate involvement in the internal affairs for the BCCs
  + Abboud presented on this
  + Conclusion: a senator and president of senate at the deliberation, but do not have a vote
  + Food bill being restructured:
    - Except for events, programs, retreats, general meetings with more than 75, have a $500/quarter food cap
    - You count # of members at first 3 meetings and average those members, $1/person/meeting
    - Not going to go into effect until next quarter
    - Meeting about this at some time
    - Go to Abboud’s office hours to talk to him about it

**Publicity Chairs, Mackie Forgey & Tayler Reinmann**

* T-Shirt Planning
  + Been talking to Diane, t-shirt person, really wants to push through with the order
  + going to have to skimp on something (colors, print)
    - Color is $30/color/side
    - Organic is $4 more/shirt
    - Cutting out organic is easiest way to bring down cost
  + Shirts are important
    - We need to be as environmentally aware in our budget
  + Maximum we will pay is $800 least amount of shirts is ~75
  + Not getting rid of organic
  + One color on both sides
  + Black or white writing?
* Tabling at SB Earth Day

**Shelby Skougard, Student Affairs Chair**

* Working group for Wednesday
* Starting outside working group for Fossil Free core team, meeting time TBD
* Starting up recruitment drive
* Send out volunteer request for convergence, bring sign up sheet to meeting to get people that would be interested
  + Volunteer form to help at convergence

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

*ADJOURNED 7:49 PM*