## Environmental Affairs Board winter retreat

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Date: January 10-11, 2015 Time:10:00am

Location: Lake Cachuma

Minutes/Actions recorded by Victoria Mansfield

**CALL TO ORDER 10:17 am by Suh**

**A. MEETING BUSINESS**

1. **Roll Call**

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| **Name** | **Note:**  absent (excused/not excused)  arrived late (time)  departed early (time) | **Name** | **Note:**  absent (excused/not excused)  arrived late (time)  departed early (time) |
| Heather Vest, Co-Chair | **Present** | Mackie Forgey, Sustainable Business Chair | **Present** |
| Jenn Suh, Co-Chair | **Present** | Angelica Villalobos, Earth Day Chair | **Present** |
| Victoria Mansfield, Administrative Chair | **Present** | Emma Moffitt, Earth Day Chair | **Present** |
| Marina Quintanilla, Treasurer | **Present** | Kristen Herrera, Sustainable Foods Chair | **Absent** |
| Greg Ryan, Publicity Chair | **Present** | Unique, Vance, Environmental Justice Chair | **Absent** |
| Chris Berry, Publicity Chair | **Present** | David Kim, Historian | **Present** |
| Michael Fanelli, Student Affairs Chair | **Present** | Nicholas Frey, Clean Energy Chair | **Present** |
| Kedrina Garcia, Volunteer Chair | **Absent** | Bailee Lawrence, Garden Manager | **Present** |
| Biby Landaverde, Social Chair | **Present** | Jeremy Peschard, Statewide Affairs Representative | **Absent** |
| Jessica Russo, Social chair | **Present** |  |  |
| Yanira Flores, Green Bill Consultant | **Present** |  |  |

**B. MOTIONS TO ALLOCATE FUNDS**

**a. 100$ to purchase Day of Drought supplies**

*MOTION/SECOND: Suh/Landaverde*

*Motion language: Motions to move to immediate consideration*

*Action: Motion passes by consent*

**b. $400 for an open PO with AS Pubs**

*MOTION/SECOND: Suh/Berry*

*Motion language: Motions to move to immediate consideration*

*Action: Motion passes by consent*

**C. WELCOME & FALL DEBRIEF**

* 1. Icebreaker – Say how you feel in one word, mention what members hope to get out of this retreat
  2. Campsite Rules
     1. Noise Curfew, be mindful of others also camping
     2. Checkout time at 11 am on Sunday
     3. Keep things clean
  3. Reaffirmation
     1. Every other year, AS groups must go up for reaffirmation
     2. Students most vote for us to continue getting funding
     3. 2/3 vote of a “no” will not make us eligible for funding
     4. EAB up for reaffirmation this year
     5. Necessary to publicize a lot to keep our funding

**d.** Fall Quarter Debrief

i. Things that worked well

1. Core officers go to events and try to engage general members, making EAB more unified- Russo

2. Publicity was fantastic- Suh

3. Good amount of discussion at core meetings- Mansfield

4. Most core members table- Berry

5. We did well working through have no meeting space for most of fall quarter-Ryan

6. Very engaged general members- Berry

7. More new faces in general meetings-Flores

8. Everyone works together well- Vest

9. Numerous activities every week- Lawrence

10. Core members have really good ideas and go out of positions-Suh

11. When one person talks, everyone listens- Flores

12. We remember things about each other-Vest

13. Bonded immediately since fall retreat -Suh

ii. Things that need to be improved

1. Perhaps a game for publicity where people can win a prize-Flores
2. Help Bailee in the garden more- Russo
3. Members should do more tabling more often- Villalobos
4. Work more on publicizing events- Landaverde
5. Individuals can publicize events on personal accounts in addition to the EAB accounts- Mansfield
6. Core members should go to more events-Moffitt
7. People should put down names more often on tabling sign up sheets- Berry
8. Try to keep group text to minimal usage- Suh
9. Have more socials- Vest
10. Members should help with general meeting food- Suh
11. Have food and projector ready by 7:00 pm so core members should get there before 7- Ryan
12. Core members should stand at beginning of general meetings so we can answer questions-Flores
13. Encourage general members to host general meetings- Russo
14. Members should sit towards front if they are going to present at general meeting-Suh
15. More energy consciousness in EAB office- Ryan
16. Should put up a list of things to know about how we should keep our office green bill certified-Forgey

**e.** Core meeting time

i. Mondays from 7-9pm this quarter

**f**. Waiver

i. Members need to sign campsite waiver

**D. ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ACTIVITY**

**E. WINTER QUARTER GOALS AND DISCUSSION**

**a.** “What is EAB?”

1. Campus resource

2. Stress importance of living a sustainable life

3. Social groups

4. Volunteer work

5. Creative projects

6. Environmental group run by students, for students

7. Implement changes we want to see

8. Inspire, start new things

9. Outlet for students to get involved and put their ideas into action

10.Leaders

11. Making issues relevant to everyone

1. Goals for Winter Quarter

1. Have more members lead working groups

2. Getting core and general members going to socials

3. Officer involvement

4. Continue Drought Campaign

5. Be prepared

6. Answer google docs

7. Bring at least 2 friends to EAB events

8. UCSB students living sustainably

9. Spread awareness about environmental issues

10. More projects with other groups

11. Fun fact at beginning or end of the powerpoint

12. Get more involved in fossil free UCSB

13. Keep mindset that EAB is for general members

14. Show we are start of all types of activism

**F. INDIVIDUAL REPORTS AND GOALS**

**i. Chris Berry and Greg Ryan, Publicity Chairs**

1. Use digi-knows for publicity
2. Be more proactive with other available resources
3. Keep everyone’s events publicized
4. New posters, tabling, class raps, social media
5. Talk to newspapers (ex Nexus)

**ii. Bailee Lawrence, Garden Manager**

1. More participants
2. Wants to start plants form seedlings and then replant them
3. Wants to clean out rest of the plots

**d.** Making more progress with garden

**iii. Yanira Flores, Green Bill Consultant**

**a**. Create resource page for green bill

* + 1. Wants to work with sustainable business chair
  1. Looking to work with more groups
  2. Sheet where members can write down sustainability goals

**iv. Emma Moffit & Angelica Villalobos, Earth Day Coordinators**

**a.** Collaboration with more groups about Earth Day

**b.** Theme needs to be decided on

**c.** Updates about errands that need to be completed (security, sound systems, bathrooms)

**d.** Ideas for activities needed

1. **Biby Landaverde and Jessica Russo, Social Chairs**
   1. Review of potential upcoming events for general and core members
      * 1. Devils Punch Bowls in Ventura
        2. LA Zoo
        3. Ostrich farm
        4. Weekend trip in Big Sur
   2. Keep up more with farmer of the week
   3. Snacks at the meetings-Get uncle eddy’s cookies and pita+hummus

**v. David Kim, Historian**

1. Scrapbook
   * 1. Take more pictures
     2. Get members more involved in making scrapbook
     3. Group picture with general members
     4. Include pictures of past events in slideshows at general meetings to get more students pumped about future events

**vi. Michael Fanelli, Student Affairs chair**

**a.** Get more involved with other student groups

**b.** Reach a wider audience

**c.** Make a form for people to access that has local and universal tips/frequently asked questions

**d.** Keeping people updated with Fossil Free

**vii. Nicholas Frey, Clean Energy Chair**

* 1. Finish and continue last quarters projects
  2. Stay more organized
  3. Be more engaged/get more engagement
  4. Making a job description for position
  5. Work with sustainable business chair

**viii.** **Marina Quintanilla, Treasurer**

**a.** Collaboration with other groups

**b**. Create a better sheet to keep track of the money

**c.** Make it easier for the next treasurer to transition

**ix. Victoria Mansfield, Administrative Chair**

**a.** Considering using a newsletter template

**b.** Send out calendar along with newsletter

**c.** Perhaps putting calendar for people to sign up on facebook and tag people to contact

**d.** Ways to make things more efficient and organized

**x.** **Mackie Forgey, Sustainable Business Chair**

**a.** The Clover-magazine of sustainable businesses and other articles

* 1. Wants to host a Carrot Mob
  2. Research on want to change in IV
  3. Wants to work with Green Bill Consultant to come up with where to put resources
  4. Wants to help out with Nancy’s food cart-effort to have a sustainable food cart on campus that mostly students would work for
  5. Get a big business to change something

**xii. Heather Vest and Jenn Suh, Co-Chairs**

**a**. Work with connecting EAB to other groups on campus

**b.** Encourage bringing friends to EAB

**c.** Support for all core officers

**d.** Incorporating more general members in planning things

**e.** Meeting with more people during general meetings

**f.** Staying more updated with Senate

**g.** Sandwich boards need to be placed out in front of UCEN every day

**G. RETREAT DEBRIEF AND CLOSING**