

University of Houston  
Sustainability Task Force  
June 8, 2009  
Meeting minutes

- Discussion of how to address fair trade and related issues for the campus
  - Proposal for consideration
    - A subcommittee composed of Sustainability Task Force members to consider and make recommendations to the Task Force on the university's policies related to fair trade and issues related to social justice, utilizing STARS criteria and working with appropriate subject matter experts at the university. Composition of the subcommittee to be discussed and agreed upon by the Task Force members.
- Discussion of the establishment of a subcommittee to address the university's carbon footprint
  - Dr. Bishop is recalculating the carbon footprint this summer using the AASHE calculator
  - Agreed to create subcommittee to research carbon footprint
- Update on full release of STARS 1.0 from AASHE
  - Being released in September
  
- Green UH Football Game
  - November 21 – UH v. Memphis
    - We will have a 30 second video-board to relay message
  
- Other Items from the Task Force
  - Introduction of new Environmental Club member
  - Discussed having the Chancellor making a commitment to reduce carbon footprint
  - July – promoting and marketing mass transit conference (alternative transportation)
  - Aug - James will work on Visioning Document and Emily will buy the sustainability books