

UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

Sustainability Task Force

Date: August 13, 2010

Place: 226 E. Cullen Building

Time: 10-11:30am

Attendees: Emily Messa, Mike Nagy, Shankar Chellam, Barry Lefer, Fred McGhee, Maria Honey, Jonas Chin, Laura Neely, Micah Kenfield and Rahil Shah

A. Call to Order

B. Open Forum

C. Update Items

1. Energy Policy

- Task Force provided some edits in the Energy Policy
- Sameer Kapileshwari would be presenting the final version of the Energy Policy in the next month's Task Force meeting

2. Climate Action Plan

- Micah along with Dr. Barry Lefer and Jonas Chin presented the UH- Climate Action Plan
- Task Force suggested some edits and Micah would be looking for the changes

3. Campus Recycling

- UH finished #1 in the RecycleMania contest in Texas actual weight recycling
- UH finished #7 in the country for actual weight minimization

D. Information Items

1. Demo Green Certification Program

- Departments can now participate in the Green Departmental Certification Program

2. Green UH Events and Marketing Report

- Jonas described the new book-rental program where UH is offering the rental option for purchasing the text-books
- Jonas also mentioned about the new car-sharing program where any UH member with a valid driver's license can rent a car from campus for a mere \$8/hr (includes gas upto 180 miles and car insurance)

3. To-Go Policy in the Residential Halls

- Jonas went over the procedures and policy on using the reusable to-go containers

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