iWG Meeting Notes

**Transportation SWAT**

Title: Transportation Mode Switch Survey

1. This should be treated as a small recommendation
2. Giving this to iSEE to being implementation

Title: Carbon Credit Fund

\*\*\*Confusing topic\*\*\*

1. The idea of buying carbon offsets is fine
   1. Where is the money to do so coming from?
      1. If it is coming from donation or students this is acceptable
      2. If it is coming from ICR funds this is unacceptable
      3. If we can find another funding mechanism this may be a possibility?
2. All members are generally opposed to penalizing air fliers
3. Even if a funding mechanism is found, how do yo prove if someone flew vs taking the train, what is the process for this, and how does one calculate the amount owed
4. The university has already been selling carbon credits based on our emissions reductions
   1. Selling high, buying low
      1. When we sell we have to buy replacements
      2. Next time we buy, we buy a few more which would be used as the offsets for air travel and keep an internal storage for this, so as we deplete it we can buy more
   2. However, we do not know if we will continue doing buying, especially if the sell/buy difference isn’t as profitable
5. Another idea: Next time we sell we keep some which would be used as the offsets for air travel
6. If we do incentives, people who are already using difference means of travel will simply apply for the new incentive, so we are “wasting” money
7. Most Faculty use TEM for reimbursement: some faculty members don’t ever use this, and some cannot use it depending on the trip
8. Plan: Send recommendation back to Transportation SWAT
   1. Continue looking into incentives and NOT punishments
   2. Make a suggestion for how this could work with TEM
   3. Find more data on who this would affect and how it would affect them
   4. Find out how we would calculate the incentive for travelers and get an estimate on total cost per year
   5. Maybe set the incentive for trips outside of a 3-5 hour driving radius

**All SWAT** (Initial Recommendation: PWR/ECBS SWAT)

Title: Sustainability Training in Cooperation with the University Ethics and Compliance Office

1. People from the University Ethics and Compliance Office were very supportive of this idea
   1. Sustainability engagement and behavior on campus is an ethics problem that should be part of this training
2. iSEE has already been making a recycling video that can be downloaded, but there is no obligation to do this
   1. We could add this into the training (as long as it is not too long)
3. Minor budget but major policy: Ask this of the Sustainability Counsel and the Chancellor for our campus to tag this on at the end of the mandatory ethics training
4. Leave this as an optional piece at first
   1. The only issue with this is we might only be getting participation from those who are already engaged
      1. Incentives such as $25 gift card could be used
5. We need to spend a lot of time figuring out content, questions, and a format that will engage participants
   1. Make sure this is short
   2. Add questions to training to get basic opinions on recycling
   3. Work with ethics office and iWG to recommend questions, content, and format by end of October 2019

**PWR SWAT**

Title: LED / CFL Lightbulb Replacement

1. Replace bulb in all buildings: F+S is already doing this
2. Preferably replace with only LEDs, not CFLs
3. Send to F+S to get overview of the existing efforts
   1. New bulb use
   2. How many conversions
   3. Overall status of projects
      1. type of lighting being changed and what it is being changed to
      2. Quantity throughout campus

Title: Use of Motion Sensor Lighting

1. We already use occupancy sensors (CO2 sensors) that connect to the lighting and HVAC for new buildings and retrofits/upgrades
   1. Only issue is that you cannot retrofit all buildings, some systems cannot be wired into like others
   2. What is the plan for occupancy sensors moving forward: Response from Tom Keller
      1. Ask them to explain the direction of efforts and status to date

Title: Housing Department representative on PWR/Zero Waste SWAT

1. Ask that a Housing faculty member be added to the Zero Waste SWAT
2. Ask Alma Sealine for recommendation
3. Switch Thurman Etchison from ALUFS to Zero Waste SWAT

Title: iBUY Catalogue Modification

1. PWR had some from Purchasing Department on their SWAT but they do not run the iBUY Catalogue
2. Want to prioritize sustainable products on iBUY, as long as we are on restricting people to buy those products
3. Start with a detailed study: for now leave recommendation with iWG as pending before sending it out to OBFS
   1. Sandy Yeo is the main contact for this
   2. Ask someone about AITS procurement
      1. Contact: Aaron Carter from UOCP
4. After gathering more info send assessment to Mike Bass
   1. Let him know we are happy to start with a conversation about this

Title: Enforcement of Sustainable Procurement

1. There is recycled paper to buy that is more financially viable than virgin paper
   1. Getting it from F+S Stores can be a hassle
2. It is the law to get recycled paper
   1. Instead of “enforcing the law” we should use forms of education and information
3. Organize an educational effort instead
4. Get comments on this from Brad at Procurement
5. iSEE should begin conversations on more educational outreach
6. Get a meeting set with Purchasing/Procurement, iSEE, PWR(Zero Waste) and Education SWAT, and iWG

Title: Endorsement of New Bins

1. F+S in the process of implementation
2. Ask iSEE to write a letter of support in favor of F+S’ implementation plan
   1. This should be from Dr. Evan DeLucia to Dr. Mohamed Attalla
   2. Suggested that iSEE write an article about the initiative