StART II FLC
Meeting Minutes
3/27/13

Opening
The regular meeting of the StART II FLC was called to order at 4:12 pm on 3/27/13 in the Office for Sustainability by Bill Davis and Heather McGee.

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Present
Kevin High, Carla Koretsky (Associate Dean of LHC), Carol Weideman
Bill Davis, Heather McGee, Kim Juwong

Conversation
Curricular Change

- Heather has provided a successful example
- Helpful examples should be recent since the curricular change committee has evolved
  - An example of a recently modified course curriculum change would be helpful for those who plan to modify already existing courses
- Environmental Studies will be changed to Environmental Sustainability Studies
- New faculty member in Environmental Sustainability Studies
- A one credit hour course on climate change was piloted with the Lee Honors College
- General education overhaul – Ed Martini
- FYE seminars – great opportunity to incorporate sustainability
- Potential EUP online zero credit certificate course related to environmental sustainability
  - Potential market for teachers to take certificate courses as well
- Consideration of bringing in a speaker from U of M
  - Carla has suggested a potential speaker from U of Arizona

Challenges

- Communication – presence of sustainability exists on campus, but people are not connected
  - Conference with students/teachers/etc. - a symposium or poster session on sustainability with the goals of connecting people, learning about sustainability
related initiatives/courses, etc. across campus, and bringing in an outreach piece (Cornerstone for sustainability work and recognition)

- Where is the best place to initiate this conversation?

**Carla Koretsky – Climate Change**

- Lectures at LHC on Wednesdays 12 – 1 pm on Climate Change
  - April 10 – Shower and Sisson
  - April 24 – Prescreening of “Thin Ice”
- Climate change working group: [www.wmuclimatechange.info](http://www.wmuclimatechange.info)
  - Working with community organizations to increase awareness on climate change and give presentations to community organizations/members
  - Last meeting this semester, Thursday April 18 4 – 5 pm will address teaching
- One credit hour course where speakers come in to present to students, then students give presentations at area high schools HMRS2900/4900 – can repeat for electives credit
- Bill McKibben visiting on October 10

**Groups involved in Sustainability**

- General Ed – Ed Martini
- FYE – Dr. Toni Woolfork-Barnes
- Freshwater Sustainability
- PUSC
- Climate Change Working Group – Carla Koretsky
- Environmental/Sustainability Studies

**Miscellaneous**

- Dropbox folder will be placed on OfS webpage

**Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm by Bill Davis and Heather McGee. The next general meeting will be at 4 – 5:30 pm on April 10, 2013, in the Office for Sustainability.

Minutes submitted by: Kimberly Juwong

Approved by: Bill Davis