

University Environmental Committee (UEC) Meeting

Date: February 14, 2024 Time: 1:00pm- 2:30pm

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Attendees:

- Thomas Wilson (Chair)
- Tiffany Friedman (Note Taker)
- Maggie Li
- Frederick Walter
- Sarah Poon
- Gary Kaczmarczyk
- Barbara Boyle

Agenda:

- Call to Order
 - Thomas Wilson opened the meeting and acknowledged the low attendance due to other commitments of several members.
- Consideration of Minutes
 - Approval of previous minutes (September, October, November).
- Status Reports
 - Ashley Schiff Preserve: Waiting for survey results and upcoming meeting with relevant personnel.
 - Energy Working Group: Chris Sellers unable to attend; no report.
 - Composting: Update by Sarah Poon on successful composting program and potential expansion to other areas. Sara informed the group that there is some push back from students to a recycling program because the impression is that Suffolk County does not recycle.
 - Thomas Wilson informed Sara that Suffolk County does recycle even if there are problems.
 - Fred confirms there is recycling and describes Brookhaven recycling program.
 - Tiffany provided feedback to Sara of how to encourage students to participate in environmental efforts.
- Bike Paths Discussion
 - Video presentation on bike path from Chapin to West Campus, highlighting safety concerns.

- Sustainability Collaboration for Earthstock
 - Discussion on how to engage students and potential activities for Earthstock.
- Other Business
 - Discussion on bike lanes, mobility devices, and safety on campus.
 - Consideration of dismount zones and dedicated bike lanes on campus.

Adjournment:

- The meeting was adjourned with plans to reconvene on March 13, 2024.

(Meeting changed to Mar 20, 2024)