



CESAS Meeting Summary
102 Ward Hall, Kansas State University
November 19, 2013

Participants:

Kathryn Douglass, Undergraduate student
Larry E. Erickson, CHSR, Ch.E. and KNRC

Huston Gibson, LA/RCP
Irma O'Dell, Leadership Studies
Sue Prey, K-State Libraries

Review of the agenda

- Earth Day planning was added to the agenda.

Technical Assistance for a Sustainable Kansas (TASK)

- Houston Gibson reported on the presentation "Talking Green in Red States" at the American Planning Association meeting of the Kansas Chapter. This is a topic that he and Meghan Wieters are presenting to various audiences.

Sustainable Brownfields (TAB)

- The Brownfields activities are continuing with an emphasis on sustainability as part of the efforts to make good use of these properties.

Sustainable Communities

- Meghan Wieters, Assistant Professor of Regional and City Planning at the University of Oklahoma and Huston Gibson are looking for opportunities to discuss their work to develop effective communication related to sustainability in environments where support for sustainability may depend on effective communication of specific issues that relate to sustainability.
- Those present discussed the idea of bringing this topic into the Dialog on Sustainability in July 2014, and there is interest in doing this.

Solar Powered Charge Station Project

- A site for the new solar powered charge stations has been identified and work is moving forward to develop design options for the site.

Sustainability Planning at K-State

- There are several groups that are meeting to develop plans for advancing sustainability at K-State and including sustainability in the K-State 2025 plans. The next general meeting is from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., Monday, December 2, in the Cottonwood Room of the Union.

Ecoliteracy Book Club

- The book "The Burning Question" by Mike Berners-Lee and Duncan Clark was identified as a potential book to read and discuss. "No Impact Man" by Colin Beavan was discussed as a good book for the common read.

Sustainability Seminar, January 7-9, 2014

- The most recent draft of the plans for the seminar will be posted on the CHSR Internet site. Those who wish to attend the seminar without enrolling for credit may sign up and attend without any charge if space is available.
- To sign up send an e-mail to Sheree Walsh at chsr@ksu.edu.

Other

- Kathryn Douglass provided information on the efforts to organize Earth Day events on Friday April 25 and 26. The plan is to have speakers on Friday and family type activities on Saturday.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 17, at 3:30 p.m.