

Social Systems Meeting Notes



January 16, 2014

Attendance: Kate Shoulders, Mary-Alice Serafini, Catherine Baltz, Elizabeth Hood, Joshua Youngblood

Old Business

1. H.E.A.L. Update: Martha Jane Murray visited the UA campus in December 2013 and presented to the Staff Senate. Her presentation was well received, several questions were asked, and the Staff Senate recommended that she return to present to the Benefits Committee for further discussion.
2. Green Business Cards: This is a no go. Businesses were reluctant to participate.
3. Sustainability Themed Semester
 - a. **Earth Day Vendor Fair** with a focus on bringing community organizations to campus, such as Habitat for Humanity, Washington County Environmental Affairs and Recycling, City of Fayetteville. The OFS will be in charge of managing the fair.
 - b. **Sustainability Speakers Series** will bring speakers to campus to engage students, staff and faculty. ASG and The Applied Sustainability Center will coordinate speaker series.
 - c. **Trail Clean Up** Residential Interhall Congress will adopt the trail on the south side of campus during the month of April. (this wasn't discussed at the meeting but Carlos Ochoa spoke with RIC about this afterwards).
4. Update on educational development classes: No update

New Business

1. Co-chair elections: Both Dr. Shoulders and Joanna Pollock's co-chair positions have expired. Carlos will solicit volunteers to co-chair the social systems group.