SSI FEE BOARD MINUTES | DECEMBER 1, 2014

DETAILS

Minute Taker: Sarah Bixel

Present: Emily Bowling, Jen Christin Myers, Andrew Futerman, Patrick Mahedy, Nick Silva, Jesse Pettibone, Sarah Bixel, Kimberly Helm, Lexie Mikesell, Danielle Marias, Brandon Trelstad

Absent: Maia Penchansky

Guests: Lauren Loosveldt and Sarah Robertson

AGENDA

SSI Director Update, presented by Jesse Pettibone
Green Fee Proposal: Azalea House and Avery House, presented by Sarah Robertson & Lauren Loosveldt
Grant Program Updates, presented by Kimberly Helm
Winter Term Scheduling, presented by Nick Silva

MINUTES

SSI DIRECTOR UPDATE, 5:35-5:40
DISCUSSION
- The 2014 Energy Civil war was a successful event!
  - OSU lost to U of O, but still generated over 8,000 kW in energy using the ReRev ellipticals at Dixon
  - good involvement from students, and especially Greek life
- SSI staff completed in-service training on Saturday, November 22, 2014
  - Discussed organizational progress and goal planning

GREEN FEE PROPOSAL: AZALEA HOUSE AND AVERY HOUSE, 5:40-7:00
DISCUSSION
- Sarah Robertson, an Associate Campus Planner from OSU Capital Planning, and Lauren Loosveldt of Hennebery Eddy Architects joined the Fee Board to discuss the possible use of Green Fee funds for sustainability upgrades to the former co-op buildings.
  - Azalea House will become a childcare center and office space, Avery House will be used as a food pantry, and plans for Oxford House are under discussion.
• These buildings are aimed at supporting non-traditional OSU students, and as these buildings are remodeled, there are opportunities for sustainability upgrades
• Desired projects without funding: boiler replacement in Avery ($65,000) and a waste water treatment system ($240,000)
  o Wastewater treatment would be the first on campus and would separate black from gray water, and repurpose it for irrigation or toilet flushing
  o Could serve as educational display for kids, students, alumni, visitors, and has potential to serve multiple buildings as a central source
• Ownership of the property has shifted from the MU to UHDS, bringing into question whether the Fee Board can grant money for projects to a non-student fee-funded building
  o Feasibility study, design fees, and construction would be funded by Fee Board
  o Decisions would ideally be made before December 31, 2014

DECISION(S)
• The Fee Board will wait to hear on deliverables desired from feasibility study for the wastewater treatment and cost associated with conducting it before making decisions
• One application for funding for two projects (wastewater treatment and boiler system for Avery) will be submitted for review by the Fee Board after the start of 2015

GRANT PROGRAM UPDATES 7:00-7:30
DISCUSSION
• The Project and Research grant application review meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 4, 2015 from 10am-3pm
• Grant orientation will take place on January 12, 2015
  o Project grants will be 5:30 to 6:30
  o Research grants will be 6:30 to 7:30
  o Input and participation desired from Fee Board members
• Discussion of matrix used to evaluate applications was led by Nick Silva

DECISION(S)
• Evaluative matrix will be edited and revised online by Fee Board members. Revisions will be completed by Friday, December 5, 2014.

WINTER TERM SCHEDULING 7:30-7:35
DISCUSSION
• Meeting time is tentatively scheduled for Tuesdays from 4 to 6 pm