FINAL Meeting Minutes
Approved September 10, 2018                       April 16, 2018

Absent: Austin Jones, Nate Brower, Jim Lowe, Carol Friesen, Lohren Deeg, Julie Hopwood, Michelle O’Malley, Michael Mayfield, Klaus Neumann, Ro Anne Royer Engle, Ruth Jefferson, Julie Borgmann

Guests: David Kosciuleu and Audrey Loomis (students)

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by the Chair, Bob Koester. Bob welcomed members and guests.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the March 19, 2018 meeting. The motion to approve as written was passed.

Program Presentation
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No program for this evening’s meeting

Celebrate
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Bob announced that the Student Government Association has created a Green Council.

Facilitate
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John Taylor nominated Don Ruch for a 2018 COTE Exemplar, Lifetime Achievement Award. The nomination was approved unanimously.

Ruth Jefferson nominated the Teachers College Sustainability Committee for a Green Initiative Award for the “take the stairs challenge”. The nomination was approved unanimously.

Members Reports

Karen Adkins reported for Dining Services. Karen reported that dining purchases 75% of the fresh milk used from Indiana dairies. The remaining 25% comes from surrounding states. Karen also reported on the pilot Bio-Digester and Mini Food Truck. The Mini Food Truck should be in use more as the weather improves.

Jon Creek reported for the Audubon Society. The group is currently concentrating on pollinators in the area.

Nate Gurich reported for Athletics. Athletics continues to encourage recycling and would like to reduce production of printed programs. The reduction in printed programs will require more review.

Tom Heck reported for the Ball State University Foundation. Tom reported that the Foundation is an original member of the Intentional Endowments Network. IEN is a peer learning network designed to accelerate and enhance endowment leadership in aligning investments with respective institutional missions, values, and sustainability goals.

Ken Hall reported for Sciences and Humanities. Ken reported that his areas have embraced video conferencing; thereby using less paper.

John Ludwick reported for the College of Fine Arts. John reported that the atrium gallery space has been refitted with LED lighting and that the college is working to extend computer life.

Melinda Messineo reported for the College of Sciences and Humanities. Melinda reported that the Sociology Grad Committee is now 100% paperless. Sociology is also involved in an immersive learning experience with Second Harvest.

James Shimkus reported for the university libraries. Jim reported on the library’s transition from a physical to a digital environment.

Charles Allen reported for Information Technology Services. Charles reported that the old phone system has been decommissioned and as a result 1000 lbs. of copper wire has been recycled. Charles also noted the Go Green recycling effort which recycles old electronics turned in by staff.

Ann Clevenger reported for IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital. Ann reported on the hospital staff volunteerism in working to improve area parks.
Betty Brewer reported for Minnetrista. Betty reported that May is Bike Month in Muncie as well as Beautification Month.

John Emert reported for Academic Affairs. John reported that the Honors College Thesis Project is now 100% online.

John Taylor reported for the Field Station Environmental Education Center. John reported that April 21 is the Wildflower Walk in Christy Woods and April 28 is the plant sale in the greenhouse.

Reports from Jim Lowe, Michael Mayfield, Klaus Neumann, Michelle O’Malley and Lohren Deeg were tabled.

Anticipate
Bob reminded the group of the Summer Study Abroad opportunity at University of Groningen, June 3-June 28. Those interested should contact Lohren Deeg.

Saturday, April 28, 8-11am is the kickoff cleanup to Muncie Beautification Month. Those interested should meet in the Wal Mart North parking lot by Old National Bank (NW Corner).

Green Funding Specialist
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No Report

Green Initiatives Coordinator
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No report.

Web Manager
No report.

Other

Next meeting will be announced

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.