

## SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

May 17, 2011

Attendees: Mia Casey, Karen Smith, Janice Carr, Gillian Schultz, Scott Lankford, Becky Urrutia-Lopez , Brenda Visas, (student ?), (student Rodrigo ?)

#### 1. Earth Week Faire Report:

It was a very successful event, with more than 20 organizations participating. Scott will get it on the campus calendar early. Next year we will try to schedule it so that it does not occur at the same time as other important campus activities.

#### 2. Garden Fundraiser Reports:

Twenty-five coupon books were sold, generating \$150 +/- profit, and \$165 was netted from the sale of gold. Students will sponsor a flea market on June 18. Funds earned will be used for the garden.

#### 3. Zimride Rideshare Portal Update:

1400 users are registered. Next fall there will be more parking restrictions, making more reason to use it. Student government is making a survey to determine what would make it more attractive.

#### 4. Sustainable Learning Community Planning Workshop:

The workshop will be on May 27, with lunch at 12:30. Next year's theme will be water. A potential activity is Adobe Creek restoration.

#### 5. Garden Work Day:

Work day will be Friday, 5/20, 9-12 noon. Students will participate. Various options for next year were discussed, such as making it a demonstration of gardening in small spaces. Send ideas to Mia.

#### 6. Open discussion/ New topics:

Solar panels are producing a noticeable energy saving.

There will be a work day on May 27 for weeding the native garden.

Saturday, May 21, National River Clean-up Day, Gillian will lead a clean-up of Adobe Creek, 9-11 a.m.

Brenda is organizing a bicycle race, "The Learning Curve", with Los Gatos Bicycle Racing Club for July 31. Profits will be split with Foothill and will help fund the multi-use pedestrian/bicycle path around the campus.

Scott reported that Middle College has an emphasis on sustainability.