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Meeting Minutes

1. Transportation at Penn State
   1. Carpooling options and wellness program recommendations
2. Off campus Recommendations
   1. Extend eco reps to off campus
3. THON
   1. Develop connections
4. Food!
   1. Similar programs to eco-reps but within dining halls, begin rotation at dining halls for one sustainable or locally grown food.
5. Damon Sims
   1. How do we harness all the activities together to really get an exponential activity going on.
      1. “Sustainability institute”? Could solve this problem
         1. place for students to come together and have a place to brainstorm ideas. (centralized focused)
6. Rob Pangborn
   1. To move forward: communication needs to take place. This is the challenge
   2. **Find an action plan**: you are only here for a short time so limited time frame can be an obstacle.
   3. Recruiting more faculty that will take initiate to allow students to get more engaged.
   4. Apartment may be the toughest (concerns with the amount of effort it will take)
7. David Grey:
   1. Commends the presentation: realizes that some will be easier to obtain than others.
   2. Recognize economic capabilities with our goals to make rapid progress
   3. Office of human resources is his area and would like to do more with employee wellness.
      1. Sustainability starts with personal decisions (aka mode of transportation)
      2. Incentivizing healthy behavior
      3. Wisconsin Madison: would like to learn more about that and work with that to make Penn State
      4. Wants to keep dialog moving wants a framework for other conversations and would like to have a copy of the presentation.
         1. Come up with timetables and get down to nitty griddy
8. Lidia Vanderberg
   1. Share ideas for people to go and look for projects
   2. Use students ideas and powerpoints to get message across to other students
9. Other:
   1. Financial incentives to become more sustainable
      1. Energy savings revolving fund
      2. Green fee possible: (it is being discussed and it is a possible proposal)
         1. Need to make sure that a there is a support
            1. Have UPUA take this under their wing and it this is happening in discussion phase.
10. Next week
    1. FREE FOOD! Good local food!!!!!
       1. Hetzal lounge (down past art alley)