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Dues are due

HAPA thanks those of you who paid your dues, 38 to date. Now, as for the rest of you, I know in my heart that many of you really, really want to contribute \$20 to HAPA. I need 13 more of you to reach 50, a power number...maybe. Those who pay dues are allowed to nitpick over minor math errors. Watch out, because HAPA may raise dues to \$25; think about it—if you don't pay dues this year it will be more expensive to not pay dues next year. Hopefully, most of you have also received an email that allows you to pay your dues on PayPal! This pay-online process is very safe but can be a little tedious the first time through. I make many of my donations by PayPal as well as by credit card.



Report on Sustainability at CSU East Bay Hayward

President's Commitment

On Jan. 26, 2015, President Leroy M. Morishita signed the American Colleges and Universities President's Climate Commitment (ACUPCC). Cal State East Bay joins hundreds of other campuses to become climate neutral. Cal State East Bay was the 10th CSU to sign on.

At the event, a panel of faculty experts discussed various aspects of climate change with Q&A, including: Dr. Tyler Evans, Biological Sciences, Karina Garbesi, Anthropology, Geography and Environmental Studies; Dr. Mike Massey, Earth and Environmental Sciences; Dr. Jeff Seitz, Earth and Environmental Sciences; and Dr. Erica Widly, Biological Sciences

Jillian Buckholz

Jillian Buckholz is the first Director of Sustainability on the California State University, East Bay campus. She will be coordinating efforts to meet the ACUPCC commitment with a Campus Sustainability Committee, Office of Academic Affairs, and Office of Administration and Finance. Prior to coming to the Bay, Jillian was the Senior Programs Coordinator at the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) where she was responsible for the customer support, educational programming, and outreach associated with all AASHE programs. Before AASHE, Jillian was the first sustainability coordinator in the California State University (CSU) system at CSU, Chico. In this position she developed a campus-wide sustainability assessment, piloted the work of rating the campus for the AASHE STARS rating program; and co-created SCOOP, a campus office sustainability

assessment tool. She holds a bachelor's degree in Environmental Geography from Ohio University and a master's degree in Geography and Planning from CSU, Chico.

Loralyn Perry

Loralyn Perry, an energy expert, was recently named as the energy coordinator for the University. She received a bachelor's degree in Architecture, from the University of Washington in Seattle Washington. In 1997 she went on to UC Berkeley to obtain a certificate in Project Management. Ms. Perry has been working in the energy industry for over 20 years, PG&E, Nexant, EGIA, and her own consulting business, EnergyMatters. As a Senior Program Manager with PG&E, she was responsible for designing and implementing EGIA's Residential Contractor Program. She is currently an Accredited Professional in Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED AP), and is studying for a Building Design and Construction Certificate and a Builders Operators Certificate. Ms. Perry says, "I have a passion for the environment and any action to prevent further damage from Climate Change." Her immediate goal is to develop an Energy & Water Use Master Plan guiding us to better measure and manage our overall campus consumption.

Faculty Sustainability Group (FSG)

On or before March 3, 2015, someone in authority approved the creation of a Faculty Sustainability Group for the purpose of adding sustainability as a requirement in upper division General Education (GE) and to do that as part of the quarter-to-semester conversion. The requirement could be either a new sustainability course or a choice of sustainability courses. (A preliminary list of Sustainability courses at CSU East Bay Hayward is shown below.) The curriculum is required to achieve Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILOs) in several theme areas, such as Social justice, diversity, community service, and, now, sustainability. The ILO for sustainability is to "act responsibly and sustainably at local, national, and global levels."

Coordinator of the FSG is **Karina Garbesi**, Professor in the Department of Anthropology, Geography, and Environmental Studies (AGES). She is also teaching Environmental Studies-Applied Field Studies, in which students are conducting a campus greenhouse gas emissions inventory. That inventory will lead to the official baseline emission reductions pursued under the president's climate commitment.

The FSG has discussed ways to restructure the three GE themes based on ILOs, but also including a possible "wild card." The three theme courses need to be distributed among science, social science, and the humanities. Should the sustainability requirement be a 4-semester-unit course in GE? Stay tuned.

By the way, the FSG, CGW, and other faculty planning entities are now coordinating using new software called Doodle. The FSG met three times in the winter quarter 2015.

One problem with sustainability is how it sprawls around into many things that need doing. The FSG may also consider all courses, minors and majors, helping student groups, facilities issues, how the administration can help, and even something in the community.

The Campus Sustainability To-Do List

The campus sustainability website at <http://www20.csueastbay.edu/oaa/sustaineb/index.html> has a to-do list which includes the commitment reported above and

- Complete the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System (STARS) and create a comprehensive sustainability plan for CSUEB.

- Organize and convene a Campus Sustainability Committee and work with this committee to further integrate sustainability into existing strategic planning documents, while creating new sustainability focused guiding documents and programming.
- Create on- and off-campus sustainability internship opportunities, available to all students, which will provide experiences relatable to the professional world.
- Support faculty by creating networking events and learning opportunities around integrating sustainability into the curriculum.
- Establish a new University Center at CSUEB focused on sustainability.
- Complete a comprehensive campus waste audit, management, and education plan.

The website also has an excellent report on campus utilities by Evelyn T. López-Muñoz: <http://www20.csueastbay.edu/af/departments/facilities/files/docs/Energy2013-14.pdf>.



Two inspirational videos on sustainability:

Life on earth narrated by David Attenborough, 13 million views, 2 minutes:

<http://www.youtube.com/embed/auSo1MyWf8g?rel=0>

Trophic cascade: The top predator returns to the Yellowstone, narrated by George Monbiot, 15 million views, 4:33 minutes:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ysa5OBhXz-Q>



The Loop – Will They or Won't They?

I am paranoid about the willingness of the City to study alternatives to the Loop. I am afraid that even if there is a real alternative described, that the evaluation of its performance will emphasize how it increases congestion and play down or ignore how it would improve access to downtown, business development, pedestrian and bicycle level of service, parking, and other problems of overly wide streets and dangerous merges created by the Loop.

In my relentless pursuit of City officials, I emailed Fred Kelley, Transportation Manager, and Damon Golubics, Senior Planner,

“I have questions about task 4 D. on transportation.

Will you study changing the Loop to two way with more parking?

Will you study narrowing overly wide streets that pedestrians no longer cross?

Will you study other measures besides narrowing for pedestrian LOS?

Will you study LOS for non-car modes?

Will you study the role of increased parking from Loop reform on improving access to businesses fronting on the Loop and other downtown business?”

From Fred Kelley, 3/27/2015: Please understand, that our extensive “to do” list is vast with numerous competing priorities.

We address each and every one as time permits.

Your request is no exception and will be addressed.

From Damon Golubics, 3/27/2015:

The Downtown Specific Plan will look at opportunities and constraints to improve upon the existing downtown transportation infrastructure. First steps will involve identifying issues and concerns and then look for solutions to them. In particular, opportunities to improve mobility and multi-modal connectivity will be explored. The study will look at strategies that may alter local access and circulation patterns in the downtown. Operational and fiscal constraints will help shape the analysis and subsequent outcomes. Proposed changes may or may not be warranted depending what is revealed in the analysis of the existing downtown transportation infrastructure. Beyond these objectives, we will not attempt to unduly influence the outcomes or the work of the Downtown Specific Plan Task Force from the onset.

... A project kickoff meeting will occur on Friday April 3rd where such details will be discussed.

I hope this information has been helpful. Please let me know whether you have any additional questions related to the Downtown Specific Plan project.

The problem remains that the work plan allows in general terms a study of alternatives but makes not specific commitment to do, while other parts of the work are specific about what will be studied. My paranoia is pragmatic: I've seen terrible traffic engineering based on semi-competent consultants and Council and staff being told what they want to hear and expect to hear because of American car culture.



HAPA accounts for 2014

INCOME from donations		\$18,725.00
EXPENSES		
Administration	mostly Nancy Schluntz	(\$3,995.73)
Consulting for Bayview Village	Dustyn Bindel, Deborah Salon, Zoe Roller	(\$11,881.66)
Fiscal Sponsor Fee	10% of donations and other fees to San Francisco Study Center	(\$2,226.20)
HAPA Interns: Aiwen Wei		(\$102.00)
HAPA Interns: Demetris Akinasso		(\$1,227.60)
Insurance	Calendar-Robinson Co.	(\$1,468.00)
Outreach And Promotion	Bayview brochure	(\$40.23)
Supplies		(\$176.99)
Web Site and Information Technology		(\$3,675.64)
total expenses		(\$24,794.05)
OVERALL TOTAL		(\$6,069.05)
Opening balance		\$4,017.70
Closing balance		(\$2,051.35)
Change in financial position		(\$6,069.05)

City helps campaign for unbundling

Attached: Letter from City of Hayward to State Treasurer on unbundling speaks for itself.

House Recovery Homes

HAPA reports from time to time on social issues, in this cases, resources for homeless in Hayward.

We have 2 men's homes and one woman's home here in Hayward. We have 6 open beds at woman's home and 1 at men's. The number of beds available changes weekly. I have attached a flyer and if you have any Questions Please feel free to give me a call. Can you please forward this to anybody that could use us? Thank you and God Bless.

P.S. I'm an addict that's been through the system and love to speak on how I did it, so ever in need of a speaker where I could be of service let me know. I'm an active member of AA and NA and alumni from Salvation Army, the place that changed my pattern of in and out of prison. Next week i will also be the reentry coordinator for the Oakland ARC Salvation Army.

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Proud Member of BMF (Business Men's Fellowship)

(HIM: Helping Initiate Miracles. From the flyer: "The houses have affordable fees, \$475-495 a month. We will work with you on GA if needed. .This includes all utilities. Each house has weights, cable TV, Wireless internet access, washer-dryer and more! All houses are conveniently located near public transportation, and we will help you get around." Email, 3/24. 2015)

Hayward Promise Neighborhood

The Hayward Promise Neighborhood <http://www.haywardpromise.org/> is a federally funded program to help families and education in the Jackson Triangle area. It is in year 4 of a 5 year project. (Lauren Pitcher, Communications Manager, 885-4871, lauren.pitcher@csueastbay.edu). The Program Guide lists 23 programs, all of which sound good, but the website does not report on actual actions or improvement in outcomes. . http://www.haywardpromise.org/pdf/HPN_ProgramsGuide_English.pdf. I've asked for more information and Ms. Pitcher has told me they are working on it. We need these kinds of programs but their results can be hard to measure. If you have some knowledge, let me know.

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