Call To Order

A meeting of the Environmental Concerns Committee was held in Gould Hall on March 11, 2020. It began at 1:30 PM and was presided by Jeff Widener, the Environmental Concerns Committee co-chair.

Attendees

Voting Members in Attendance: Jeff Widener, Jeri Fleming, Joel Wilson, Tammy McCuen
Ex-Officio Members in Attendance: Sarah Ballew, Dot Flowers

Agenda Items

I. Introduction

Our guest speaker, Dot Flowers from Housing and Food Services, presented on the department’s efforts to implement sustainable behaviors.

1. Reduce waste:
   a. Plastic t-shirt bags will be replaced with reusable green bags in fall 2020.
   b. Plastic single-use straws to be replaced with reusable straws.
   c. Reusable food containers to replace disposable containers.

2. Food purchased:
   a. Local (handled or touched)
   b. Locally produced
   c. MIO
   d. Real food (sustainably grown and raised, local, safe food, and economically feasible)

3. Other endeavors
   a. Food rescue (average 56 pounds per day out of Couch restaurants).
   b. Drink refills
   c. Straws and lids behind counter
   d. Food digester

II. Old Business

   A. Voting for Environmental Stewardship Awards open until Thursday, March 12th.

III. Future Agenda Items

    Our next meeting for this academic year will take place on April 15th at 1:30 PM in Gould Hall room 185. Any changes will be communicated via email.

Adjournment - Meeting adjourned 2:30 PM