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currently working on this, approx 25% complete, mostly done by end of this year;
night setback using smarter technologies, upgrading control systems for on/off – 60% complete
working with hydro to get money for indoor air quality control (CO2), getting rebates
steam trap survey and repair – completed in-house
boiler – off-seasonal steam boiler was hogging natural gas, replaced and using high efficiency boilers (hot water for kitchens)
reflector project – decided not to proceed, hope to relocate money to another set of projects, better at reducing GHG emissions
lighting load in Duckworth – control system replacement – time scheduling, light diming, and occupancy sensors
MB hall – adding more speed drives to only run as much air as required, with occupancy sensors.
Expect save \$37,000, and reduce 79 tons GHG emissions.
Phase 2 measures – completion expected FY 2014 (recent funding may result in earlier completion date). Working on costing and preparatory work.
New electrician helping to do more of this work
Michael Emslie – Financing and Treasury board initially declined to approve it. Hope to hear in next few weeks if approved – to finish off both phases. Funding from a CPOSE via deferred maintenance funds, rather than from a loan.
Talked with Tim at Hydro to help with costing of drivings re: ventilation

3c Governance

- Update from Alana and Laurel Repski:
 - STARS 1/3 credit based on courses and faculty working with faculty in committee (See below: *Academics*)
 - Laurel Repski Each of areas have champions at the senior level. Sustainability initiatives now flow into manager's performance reviews; put at top of people's list and make them accountable.

Procurement

- Boomerang box reusable delivery box implemented shortly with G&T (66% reduction); plus reduce delivery to once a week to reduce GHG emissions
- Pen recycle program based on a particular manufacturer (2cents per pen received – and charity donations; recycle competitors product, but no refund)
- Currently 18% of UWinnipeg purchases at G&T are Green products, also costs a bit more money
- Beneficial to at least recommend these products to users
- In negotiations to offer a premium discount on greener products as opposed to the other ones.
- Suggested:
 - have green products come up first on the order lists
 - o include this choice as points for Green Office project
- Working on streamlining reporting

PAPER

- Mike Emslie Office paper is currently 30% post-consumer, strategy commits us to 50%. Business cards were switched to 100% post consumer earlier this year. Paper supplier didn't have product for 50% post-consumer content, will seek to address on the next paper order.
- Allan presented a document highlighting the impact of paper use; mentioned some challenges with higher recycled paper content and machine functionality.

OTHER WASTE REDUCTION & PROCUREMENT

- Apple just pulled out of green electronics registry issue to keep in mind
- Issues with cleaning products keeping to contract re: Lake Friendly standards – further discussions with stakeholders to come

Update on Fair Trade Committee – Lydia Warkentin:

- New committee looking at campus designation. Committee includes variety of stakeholders.
- Mostly coffee, tea, and chocolate.
- Discussion about athletics and clothing.
- The committee has some questions about the standards, their consistency, and how they may provide a disadvantage to smaller

- Green Allan products come up first on the order lists/ online catalogue
- Include green
 office
 products as
 points in
 Green Office
 Calculator

providers. This is particularly relevant for UW's current coffee provider, which is a relatively small provider. Will gain clarification moving forward. • Next meeting in early Dec.		
Alana indicated that there may be the potential opportunity to influence Fair Trade Canada regarding possible disadvantages to smaller providers. Overall, the University is currently Fair Trade compliant according to their requirements, and could obtain designation.		

3e Admin Systems

Lena Yusim - update on Green Office Pilot:

- Mapped off Harvard's tool.
- Recently started pilot project meetings, with goal to have it rolled out next September.
- Tool identifies ways to be sustainable, points allocated to each task.
 Creates awareness of what can be doing on campus.
- Some sort of recognition for improvement. Similar to LEED ratings.
- Categories transportation, events, energy, purchasing, etc.

Alana - update on admin systems needs assessment:

- Management workshops with Leith Sharp launching point for starting Needs Assessment process.
- Example of campus improvement: Financial services now able to approve invoices online.
- **Suggestion to include info on what drinking coffee, tea, bottled water (re: waste, recycling, Fair Trade)

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Communicatio GRASS ROUTES Sustainability Festival

- Planning between the CSO (Campus Sustainability Office) and UWSA (The University of Winnipeg Students' Association) is well underway for our next annual sustainability festival, the week of March 8th, 2013.
- Theme this year is 'The Good Life'. Working the theme into communications and events throughout the year. Encouraging campus-wide participation.
- First event was during O-Week.

PARKING DAY

• Teamed with the CRC (Community Renewal Corporation) to participate in an international festival called Park(ing) Day. Held in early October. High publicity through location, including multiple media stories. Great engagement with campus and community.

GENERAL ENGAGEMENT/COMMUNICATIONS

		includes restaurants and residences. Water consumption does fluctuate year-year for other reasons. Approval to send document to President Lloyd Axworthy. (Laurel Repski – motioned; Jeff Palmer – second; approved)	Document submitted to President	Alana	ASAP
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5	Climate Action	Plan			
		Council reviewed draft Climate Action Plan. Alana explained key challenge re: weather normalization and provided brief summary presentation.	Discuss document and determine next	Council	Next meeting
		In touch with energy manager at UM re: numbers and methodology.	steps		
8	Next Meeting	CSO will circulate Doodle poll to set time for next meeting in December. Draft mir approval at next meeting.	nutes will also be circ	culated in prepa	ration for

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Waste Reduction & Procurement

Student peer-to-peer waste reduction education programming in place.

Waste

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Governance	In compliance with College & Climate Change Action, publish UWinnipeg Climate Action Plan.		01-Apr-12	Within existing budgets	Campus Sustainability Council; Manager, CSO	Delayed due to staffingshortage. Added delay due to challenges with weather adjustment methodology (inconsistent results from 2 different methods). Manager CSO continues to work on adjustment methodology.
Governance	Become participating member of STARS (Sustainability Tracking Assessment & Rating System): Register	01-Feb-12	31-Mar-13	Within existing budgets	Campus Sustainability Council; Manager, CSO	STARSacademic committee established & first meetingheld. Aim to bring data collection plan for academic elements to Senate by end of academic year. Registration to take place once information presented to Senate.

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