iWG Meeting

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Six issues left to cover, suggest we spend about 15 minutes on each one. New draft by 4/2, for review on 4/9/15

F&S does not agree with not purchasing unbundled RECs. Difference of opinion – need to use renewable electricity; if you own a REC, then you are using renewable electricity.

- Increasing the renewable energy generation in the region; we really want to make a difference in our climate; Is it an economic issue; paragraphs do a good job of balancing the pros and cons of the issue.
- Most of the information is true/fact except the preferable part. Ben will wordsmith.

Eliminate Fossil Fuels

- We could word it so that we make the point without specifically stating it.
- At present it is cheaper to get off fossil fuels that carbon capture or sequestration
- As a campus, we have not concluded that elimination of fossil fuels is the best way to go.

Fleet Emissions

- Stated objectives are not realistic
- Idea from the Transportation SWATeam
 - Analysis of the fleet study that goes beyond current and short-term, could it be performed by faculty and students, can it examine partnerships with manufacturers
 - o Complete a detailed study by when?
- Ben to work on Fleet section.

Conservation Units

- Energy Use Intensity vs Total Energy
- What's the argument for EUI?
- What's the argument for Total Energy

Conservation Goal Size

Is 50% realistic? Add to objective.

Decentralized Billing (Potential Strategy)

- Reconsider or re-evaluate
- This has been explored since the 2010 iCAP and it was decided that an incentive Program was better.
- Steam metering not good.
- Morgan will share parts of report

Climate Action Fund

- Potential strategy vs. objective
- General concept we pay nothing for the carbon we emit put a price tag on the emissions and then use that money for good; on-campus projects, or those with local mission-link.
- Three things in mind; small amounts for feasibility studies, projects with clear financial payback, projects without payback.
- Switch #4 with #3
- F&S does not believe we need a Carbon Tax.
- Maybe it's a study; develop scenarios; a commitment to serious study
- Need dates and dollars
- What funds are available now?
- Ben will work with Morgan, Nancy and Matthew

Adjournment 3:00 pm.