

SSC Second Meeting of the Year  
Monday, February 18, 2019  
Location: NSRC 337

Student Attendees (11):

Adrian Chendra, Justin Lanoff, Julia Marsaglia, Prahallad Badami, John Uelmen, Zishen Ye, Justin Vozzo, Joe Edwards, Emmanuel Fadahunsi, Ece Gulkirpik, Jack Javer

Staff/Faculty Attendees (4):

Morgan White, Ximing Cai, Kristine Chalifoux, Cathy Liebowitz

12:15pm: Meeting start

- March 11<sup>th</sup>: campus election
  - Bike fee is up for referendum
- SSC Step 1 funding deadline has passed
  - received 25 projects = \$1.2 million requested
  - many more energy projects than any other category
  - there were a couple of late proposals submitted (a week late)
    - should there be a grace period?
    - non-voting decision - will be looked at only within a 24 hour grace & only if they have contacted SSC beforehand
      - anything submitted beyond that will be pushed to the next funding cycle
    - according to the bylaws, the committee can accept applications at any time - the deadlines don't really need to be in place (but they help with streamlining, organizing, etc.)

12:29pm: Act-Green Microgrant

- when they submitted the proposal, the event was very close to happening; it has now passed
- this would essentially reimburse the funds - which we cannot do
- this is an annual event, and we encourage them to submit next year
  - in the rejection letter, we can state this committee will support for next year's event
  - but we don't want to continue to fund recurring event
- Chair is hesitant to promise funding, as this event is uncertain to occur annually; the venue is not set each year, speakers are unknown, and leadership changes often
- Voting unanimously to reject funding (11-0)

12:37pm: Addressing number of energy proposals

- how do we want to address the large volume of energy proposals?
- possibly implementing suggesting for what we are looking for specifically
- Joe suggested that maybe encourage those who haven't applied before, or underrepresented areas of focus that we could provide extra emphasis on applying
  - incentivize people to apply with their own strengths into sustainability

- Justin suggested that in the call for proposals, we can state what we are looking for
- the main problem to address at heart is getting the word out to faculty and students - more often, or somehow much effectively. Dr. Cai said many of his faculty have no idea this funding exists
- E-week sends updates on Sundays to staff, faculty, and some grad students
- our goal needs to fit what the campus needs are
  - have to walk a fine line in marketing this
  - loss of trees and pollinator habitats are some of the biggest issues on campus
- Vision statement for future cycles
- Specific grants for different types of categories
- Competition for one grant in a specific area (on next biweekly meeting agenda)

#### Applying for next year's SSC

- All members who would like to return must complete the Student Affairs application process.
- There will be a max. of four graduate students next year (to realign with SSC's bylaws)