

CESAS Meeting Summary
102 Ward Hall, Kansas State University
March 3, 2015

Present:

Larry Erickson, CHSR, ChE, and KNRC
Oral Saulters, representing CHSR
Shawn Schmidt, Central Kansas Clean Cities - Wichita
Ellen Urton, K-State Libraries

1. Review of the agenda: The agenda was reviewed and there were no additions

2. Technical Assistance for a Sustainable Kansas (TASK)

April 22nd Earth Day event at Wichita State organized by William (Bill) Wentz and the Wichita State Green Group: "Imagine 2050 Clean Energy = Cool Planet" event
(<http://www.uumc.net/solar.htm>)

3. Sustainable Brownfields (TAB)

Center for Hazardous Substance Research has a Brownfields program, working with communities in 21 different states

4. Sustainable communities

Oral and colleagues are actively planning a series of workshops and webinars, working to support particular sites and communities, working with EPA, USDA and HUD partners.

5. Solar Powered Charge Station Project and DOE Challenge

U.S. Department of Energy has a workplace charging challenge and organizations can sign up to provide opportunities for people to charge their electric vehicles at work. KSU has begun the process of internal approvals to send that in. There is a charging station in the KSU parking garage that can handle two at one time (level 1 and level 2); and hoping to add more charging stations to campus.

6. Earth Day activities

Film showing in the works
Possible Earth Day events in Hale Library (will follow up via e-mail)

7. Ecoliteracy Book Club

An opportunity to share information and have some activities related to sustainability -- anyone have anything to share under that topic today?

Oral -- Karen T. Litfin; Ecovillages: Lessons for Sustainable Community
<http://www.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-0745679498.html>

8. Food and Agriculture Sustainability and Lunch Dialog

The plan is Thursday, next week, Dr. Gary Pierzynski Head of Agronomy to talk on soils as they relate to food and agriculture sustainability -- location TBA

9. Dialog on Sustainability, July 18, 2015

Last time we met, we discussed emphasizing the topic of education through the theme "educating leaders for sustainable development."

Invite non-profit organizations, the public, universities, students, and faculty to dialog on the topic of sustainability.

For information on past events see: <https://www.engg.ksu.edu/chsr/sustainability/dialogs>

10. 12th International Phytotechnologies Conf., Sept. 27-30, 2015

At the Manhattan Convention Center; interested in seeking sponsorship.

See: https://www.engg.ksu.edu/chsr/files/chsr/sustainability/12th_IPS_Conf-2015Sep27-30/12th_Phytotechnology_conf_flyer_2015Sep27-30.pdf

11. Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 7, at 3:30 p.m.

12. Other