

Minutes
President's Committee on Corporate Social Responsibility
Wednesday, November 17, 2010
3:00 p.m. – 4:35 p.m.

Present: Phil Dwire, Susan Randolph, Robert Bird, Waldo Klein, William Simpson, Regis Synnott, Leslie Langworthy, and Timothy Tolokan

Absent: Gina DeVivo Brassaw, Shareen Hertel, Kimberly Fearney, Samson Kimenyi, and Peter Kochenburger

Meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Chairman Klein.

Campus Updates:

Dining Services

“U-recycle” has been initiated at the Union Street Market involving recyclable carryout containers at the fast food venues.

UConn Dining Services received an “A” rating on the College Sustainability score card

A video demonstrating the single stream recycling program in place for dining services has been placed on the web.

The “Farm to Work” program of dining services has been taken to the state legislature for demonstration. The university’s participation includes the use of UConn china since it is reusable.

Russell Update: Chairman Klein informed the Committee that there are no new updates (again) from Russell. We continue to await the appointment and confirmation of the final person on the committee.

Program co-sponsorships –

Members should be attentive for appropriate co-sponsorships as vehicles for both advancing knowledge of CSR activities as well as increasing the visibility of the PCSCR. Susan reported on the recent program in Jorgensen Auditorium by Ron Pantel concerning world food distribution and consumption.

Student committee member appointments – The committee discussed the interest in identifying students for potential appointment as members of the PCCSR. Waldo has published an announcement of the opportunity in the weekly electronic newsletter of the School of Social Work. Gina DeVivo Brassaw is reviewing possibilities among the many student groups with which she works. Sue Randolph suggested that the chair call Jill Deans, Director of the Undergraduate Honors Program, to solicit possible recommendations.

Campus Community Education Plans – Spring Event: Sue Randolph reported that the planned event would be similar to the program held last spring for faculty and staff; the focus group this year will be students. Save the date March 30, 2011.

UConn Beverage Contract: The current contract with Coke will likely be extended for one year. Timothy Tolokan updated the committee on Athletics' participation in the RFP process.

2010 Event Feedback – The committee reviewed the aggregated feedback summary from the spring 2010 event. After a general discussion, it was agreed that we should conduct a similar process following the 2011 event and prioritize appropriate “action items” for the committee.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 15, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.