

## ACADEMIC SENATE

### Facilities, Support Services and Technology Committee

November 12, 2008 meeting

**Members in Attendance:** Joseph Artiss, Sarah Bassett, Brian Edwards, Matthew Hurrell, Patrick Gossman for Joseph Sawasky, Russell Yamazaki, Ernestine Young, Judy Field, Chair

**Members Absent with Notice:** Veronica Bielat, Lisa Maruca, Tony Somers

**Members Absent:** Ravi Dhar, Terrence Allen, Daniel Rappolee, Lothar Spang, Arun Wakade, Derek Wildman

**Guest:** Nabelah Ghareeb, Associate Vice President, Office of AVP Business Operations

Nabelah Ghareeb served as one of the chairs for the Task Force on Environmental Initiatives(2007-08) which submitted its report to President Reid last April. She now is a member of the committee that is implementing the initiatives that the report recommended. These initiatives included working with the builders so that the new engineering building and the new medical commons building will meet LEED standards.; recycling containers have been placed in buildings across campus; Jim Sears is developing procedures to reduce our consumption of electricity, work is ongoing to promote more car pooling and Greening of Detroit is working with the University to increase the greenery on and near campus. Ford Foundation gave a \$100,000 grant for this greening effort and one result has been a garden located between Ghafari and the Undergraduate Library for vegetables and herbs this past summer that were used for food preparation in residence halls. The two summer markets that were held in parking structure 5 were a huge success and will be continued next year. Nabelah also referred us to two web sites for us to view the ♠greening of wayne♠ [www.clas.wayne.edu/seedwayne](http://www.clas.wayne.edu/seedwayne) and [www.livinggreen.wayne.edu](http://www.livinggreen.wayne.edu) A position entitled Director of Sustainability has been created and will report to John Davis once it is filled.

She provided an update on the retail space available on campus. Resolution of legal problems related to the TCBY location is near. Salad Sensations will be coming to campus next door to Jimmy John's and a grocertia type store is being sought for the retail space on Forest near Cass and Woodward. All of the other designated retail space is leased.

There are still connectivity issues with Iphones, Blackberry's and some computers on the main campus. Another oddity was that one of our committee members has trouble emailing his daughter who is a Wayne student. Staff from the medical campus seems to have the most problems. These problems were shared with Patrick Gossman who took this information back to be followed up on. NOTE: Patrick Gossman has informed me that as 12/2/08 WiFi in 4339 is now operational, one bit of progress,

The last item we dealt with was discussing at length a memo to be forwarded to the Policy Committee regarding the disposal of no longer needed research equipment. It was decided that further work on this needs to be done. Brian Edwards and Joe Artiss will be forwarding information related to this to me.

Meeting adjourned 3:00

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As approved by the Facilities, Support Services and Technology Committee