

USF Student Green Energy Fund Council



Friday, May 19, 2017 – SVC 1073

Time: 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Meeting Minutes

In attendance:

Council Members (In alphabetical order)

Chauncie Bigler (Alternate), Benjamin Carr, Sujit Chemburkar, Nadeem Freajah, Kebreab Ghebremichael, Sara Hendricks (Alternate), Aladdin Hiba, Nainan Desai, Robin Rives, and Harold Bower (Chair)

Absent: Barbara Bushnell, Travis Malott, George Philippidis, Lauren Reilly, and Raymond Mensah

Observer(s): Melody Rainey and Gidi Hendrix (Observers)

First Order of Business:

Previous month meeting minutes approved.

Financial Update:

Uncommitted funds have not posted to cash which means we cannot award the funds. There are several completed projects that have outstanding invoices. Once those invoices have been finalized the funds will be returned to the SGEF. Although not finalized, the amount expected to return to the fund is around \$32,000. The exact amount returned to the SGEF will be announced. No additional funds are available for allocation to projects until next fiscal year. Funding will be allocated to new proposals in the queue after the 2017/18 budget becomes available on July 1, 2017.

Public Comment

Sam Szatyari introduced herself. She will be taking on the Carbon Offset project for Lauren Reilly.

Aladdin Hiba presented the Senate Resolution. A The chair requested for the council to let him know in the next month if anyone on the council would like to be involved in this effort or if they know anyone (student or staff) not connected

with SGEF that has sustainability experience. The chair requested that information to be sent to him so he can coordinate with those individuals. This person would form the group on our behalf to consider how SGEF will better connect with these groups and

maintain communications focused on Tampa

- **Renew A Bull Biodiesel PH2 Project Update**

Dr. Sunol presented a slide presentation which is attached.

The council asked if USF will get any patents or royalties from the project. There is patent applications currently in place. The royalties are typically split with the University and the inventors. There is a possibility to enhance the royalties that will go to separate enterprises, but those enterprises may pay the university. These enterprises are being looked at and the university is aware of this. Patents aren't as easy on this project.

The chair asked if December 2018 ~~currently~~

- **SGEF Revolving Funds**

The council may want to consider splitting cost savings 50/50 with the departments as an incentive. Research of what options are available to the council would need to be the first step. The chair suggested that this could be an SGEF project.

| Meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm.