Preview of 2008-09

This summer is one for the UCSB Green Campus record books. The SB team said goodbye to two valued interns in the Spring and has undergone a smooth transition into a quartet. Although half of us are maintaining long-distance relationships with our beloved Santa Barbara campus, we have decided to do everything we can during fall quarter to take Green Campus to a new level. This means larger, longer term projects, bringing on new stakeholders and striving for a high level of interaction. CFL exchanges are tried and true, but the times demand creativity, and Green Campus Santa Barbara is better prepared than ever to heed the call, especially after the sustainability conference’s new ideas. We will be giving out pencils and flashlights to more effectively spread the cause and answer questions.

Flashlights and pencils will be given out during tabling events instead of CFLs this year.

UC Santa Barbara Green Campus by the numbers...

1 = Building LEED audited
4 = Green Campus interns
5 = Volunteers for CFL exchanges
502 = CFLs exchanged in 2008
3453 = CFL’s exchanged in 2007
3729.6 = kWh/year saved through March CFL exchanges
372.96 = dollars saved from CFL exchanges

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Stakeholder Meeting Anticipated

In an effort to build greater bonds across the university community and continue great progress toward energy efficiency, UCSB’s Green Campus is gearing up for its fall Green Campus advisory meeting.

Scheduled for Friday, October 3rd, the object of this meeting is to meet with key campus stakeholders early on in the 2008-09 academic year to conduct organized project planning and prioritize energy efficiency projects for the year. The meeting will also be a great opportunity for stakeholders to network with other professionals and faculty as well as the intern team.

Green Campus plans to invite approximately 25 stakeholders to the event. Among these invitees are new Associate Chancellor Ron Cortez, who attended the Energy Competition award reception in June. UCSB Green Campus is also meeting with potential faculty stakeholders this summer to brief them on projects and garner support, as well as collaborating with the student Energy Club.

After attending the Sustainability Conference, UCSB Green Campus decided to focus on large-scale energy efficiency projects this year. The team is putting together a details scope of work action plan in advance of the meeting to go over at the meeting. Project ideas include those inspired by the sessions and planning conducted at the state-wide Green Campus End of Year meeting on Saturday, August 2nd, directly following the conference.

An invitation will be sent to the list of stakeholders later this month. UCSB Green Campus anticipates great attendance so that they

New Direction

The Green Campus Team is very interested in large scale lighting retrofits, projects that will help existing buildings achieve LEED Existing Building certification, and work that will help promote energy efficiency on a campus-scale. We intend to show the University that we are not another campus club, but that we are interested in making a visible difference on our campus.

Green Campus would also like to share our vision of creating a Freshman Seminar class that focuses on energy efficiency. The course we are developing would count for a general education credit, and would be offered every quarter by Green Campus. We intend to present on energy efficiency and show how college students can adopt sustainable and efficient habits. We hope to bring in guest speakers, including professionals and facilities staff. We again hope to incorporate you, our stakeholders, in any way we can,