



STONEHILL COLLEGE

Environmental Stewardship Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 10th, 2025

12:30 pm

ATTENDEES

Cheryl Schnitzer (Chair), Jessa Gagne (scribe), Bruce Boyer, Caitlin Henderson ('26), Craig Binney, Eric Newnum, Jeremy Weaver, Katie Walo, Lee Ann Damore, Luis Carrion Garcia, Mark Sabina, Paul Ricci

MINUTES

1. September 10th Meeting Minutes approved with edits

2. Membership

Craig will reach out to department heads

3. Green Fund – 1 faculty/staff member, 1 student, 1 student alternate

Volunteers: Lee Ann Damore, Caitlin Henderson, Lia Numerosi (student alternate)

4. ENV Directed Studies Students - Caitlin Henderson & Lia Numerosi

Break Free From Plastic taskforce is being assembled, Caitlin will send out meeting times later today.

Caitlin & Lia are giving presentations at FYE classes. Students will download the Reuzzi app during the presentations. Reuzzi signs need to be updated – some still advertise free candy or a raffle.

Reuzzi at Gigi's discussion: Requiring Reuzzi at Gigi's would require enough containers for 3 days to be on hand (~760 swipes/day, 2,280 containers). Collection bins currently collected weekly would need to be collected daily. 2-3 collection bins would be needed at each entrance to Meehan, with trash bins beside them. Students can swipe into Roche just to return the container to the tray line at any time due to unlimited swipes at Roche. Student volunteers would be needed to help peers download and navigate the Reuzzi. Stored containers need to be scanned to determine current stock of containers – to be scheduled from 3-5pm (downtime at Roche).

5. Upcoming Events

SEA's first meeting of the semester is later today

6. Future Meetings: 12:30pm-1:30pm, Meehan 201

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3. **Reuzzi:** Planning monthly raffle – 1 raffle entry per Reuzzi return. Prizes would include Stonehill merch, Dunkin' reusable cups, reusable bamboo utensils, and tote bags. Final Reuzzi signs created – need to post at Gigi's. All return bins moved to Meehan for simplicity. Bins picked up on Mondays and Thursdays. New signs and volunteers are needed to help educate students in line at Gigi's.

Composting: currently 7 dorm participants. Unsure where compost pile is located at The Farm. Fr Aaron to

Dunkin Meeting (BFFP): Reusable cups are possible but must be Dunkin brand. Ideally default would be a sip lid with no straw. Other straw options are agave or biodegradable.

Trash Liners (BFFP): Investigating more sustainable options. Biodegradable trash bags: \$5 more per case, biodegrade in 4 years, using in NDL and Boland as a test. Compostable bags are 2-3 times more than standard bags. Current cost \$0.032/bag. Recycled plastic bags are \$0.35/bag. Recycled plastic, although not biodegradable, takes plastic out of landfills.

Utensil Dispensers (BFFP): Individually wrapped plastic utensils are being used at Gigi's, Lux, Ace's Place and The Hill. The plastic wrapping cannot be recycled. Switching to utensil dispensers can save 60% or more on plastic wrap waste.

Next Steps: Website update and Green Fund for Reuzzi Raffle.

4. Move Out

The freshman representative(Nick Bazirgan) of the Res Hall Association led last year's move-out. Jessa to contact Nick for feedback.

5. Thrift for Change/Green Period Project

Alex Uhl on leave this semester. Caitlin (SEA VP) worked on this project last year. Fr Aaron to make contact.

6. Car Charging Stations

SC working with an outside vendor (Blue Planet) and electric utility (NGRID) to update existing stations and add more. No upfront cost to SC – cost of chargers will be paid for via user fees (ex \$50/month subscription).

Stations must be open to the public and will have a 20 minute charge time. Current plan is to have 17 dual charging stations (34 chargers) as follows: Welcome Center-2, MacPhaidin-3, SBA-2, Boland-2, and Lot 17-8.

7. Other Business

Cave condition: an important site owned by HC, relatively clean before graduation. Facilities recently spent 3 hours cleaning it up. Debris included many broken bottles. Abigail and Fr Aaron to contact the Archives and HCC for historical information.

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