



**HENDRIX**  
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Meeting Notes for March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 (SLTC 105, 7:00 p.m.)

Chair: Elisa Rivera (riveraep@hendrix.edu)

Vice-Chairs: Hanna Davis, Programs (davishl@hendrix.edu)

William O'Brochta, Campaigns (obrochtawj@hendrix.edu)

Members in Positions of Responsibility:

Nick York	Secretary/Treasurer	Erica Benoit	Veasey
Abby Gatmaitan	Martin	Coco Guillot	Apartments
Evan Rivera	Hardin	Kaylee Davis	Houses
Lauren Long	Couch	Kevin Krajcir	Market Square
Shameela Khimani	Galloway	Mimi Rebein	New Student
Pearl Jangjiravat	Raney	Annie Meek	New Student

General Members:

1. Call to Order (7:05 p.m.) with Introductions.
2. Attendance taken by Secretary/Treasurer.
3. Last meeting's minutes (February 19<sup>th</sup>) approved.
4. Report by the ECC Chair
  - a. We need a manager for the Free Store this month (March). Email Elisa if interested.
  - b. February 21<sup>st</sup> (the Saturday before last) members of the ECC, President Tsutsui, and Dr. Swann went to survey the tree that flying squirrels were nested in.
    - i. No sign of the flying squirrels.
    - ii. Since the tree is due to be cut down, it's suggested that it be cut as soon as possible to avoid any new flying squirrels moving in.
  - c. Snow Piercer party at Elisa's March 14<sup>th</sup> (next Saturday) at 6:00 PM. Email Elisa for her address!
  - d. Earth Week is April 20<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. Itinerary includes:
    - i. Monday there will be a screening (yet to be determined) with Arkansas Interfaith Power & Light. 7:00 PM, location to be determined, catered.
    - ii. Friday will be the Earth Day Celebration. There will be live music, free root beer floats provided by The Root, and booths from various organizations on campus.
      - a. Budgeted for The Locals, but it isn't certain whether they will contribute this year due to closing their storefront.
      - b. Loblolly Creamery and Black Orange are alternatives options.
      - c. Black Orange as a possibility.
        - i. Black Orange donates 10% of their revenue to the Conway Animal Shelter. Maybe we'll have some pets looking to be adopted out?



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- iii. Thursday will likely be the Second Annual Trashion Show. If it's feasible, it will be held in The Burrow.
  - iv. Recyclepalooza may happen if enough interest is expressed. Email Elisa!
  - v. Wednesday of that week is the Red Brick Film Festival. Whatever we do that day must be during the afternoon.
  - vi. Evan's Hors d'oeuvre event prepared with local food may be moved to Earth Week.
  - vii. We might collaborate with the Hendrix Campus Scavenger Hunt.
  - viii. William is interested in involving the Ida Burns 4<sup>th</sup> grade visitors on campus that Tuesday.
  - ix. Kevin would like to place his Sustainability Around the World mural in the Burrow.
  - x. Recycling competitions. Get your game face on if you live in Hardin, Veasey, or Market Square!
  - e. On April 12<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm in honor of President Tsutsui's Inauguration, William and Elisa will be helping plant the Warrior Way Station, a butterfly garden beside the Hendrix Garden. The event will be catered and all are welcome!
5. Report by ECC Vice-Chair, Campaigns
- a. Loyd Ryan (Facilities) is retiring and Dr. Hardin (biology) will not be the Chair of Environmental Studies next year. Because of this, neither will serve on the Campus Sustainability Fund Committee next year.
    - i. Dr. Hatch (chemistry) will be the new Chair of Environmental Studies.
    - ii. We do not know who will replace Loyd yet.
  - a. The Campus Sustainability Fund at Hendrix received press in the Log Cabin Democrat and The Profile.
  - b. At the last Senate meeting William gave an explanation for the complaint received concerning glass recycling at Huntington and Market Square South.
    - iii. William met with Sharron Russell to discuss the situation.
    - iv. The situation: 1) Glass was not picked up in front of Huntington due to snow and proceeded to overflow. 2) Market Square South had an unauthorized glass bin.
    - v. William updated Holly Nelson about the situation.
    - vi. Sharron is happy with the glass recycling program in residence halls.
      - a. A reminder to hall reps: check recycling and glass in your residence halls once a week, preferably Wednesdays.
    - vii. A glass recycling pilot program is coming to the Houses! Expect this next year at the latest.
    - viii. Sharon is going to negotiate with Conway Sanitation for two additional small bins at Huntington, one at Front Street, one at Mills, and one at Market Square South.



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- a. Alternatively, Facilities has several regular-sized recycling bins and would like to replace the small bins at each apartment with one large one if she can arrange this with Conway Sanitation.
    - ix. Glass has to go in a blue bin. It cannot go in cardboard boxes or plastic shopping bags.
- 6. Report by ECC Vice-Chair, Programs
  - a. Clean Line Energy Project:
    - i. Hanna wrote an op-ed in the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette about the Clean Line Energy Project.
- 7. Housing representative reports:
  - a. Report by ECC Apartments Representative
    - i. A Front Street senator is interested in apartment composting. Coco explained why this can't happen just yet.
      - a. However, it shows there are students interested in composting!
    - ii. Composting in the cafe had to be rescheduled. The new date is Thursday from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. If interested, then email Coco at: [GuillotCA@hendrix.edu](mailto:GuillotCA@hendrix.edu)
  - b. Report by ECC Martin Hall Representative
    - i. Absent.
  - c. Report by ECC Hardin Hall Representative
    - i. Nothing to report.
  - d. Report by ECC Galloway Hall Representative
    - i. Absent.
  - e. Report by ECC Houses Representative
    - i. Nothing to report.
  - f. Report by ECC Couch Hall Representative
    - i. Planning to replace light switch labels in Couch.
    - ii. Contacted the Couch Senator.
  - g. Report by ECC Raney Hall Representative
    - i. Nothing to report.
  - h. Report by ECC Veasey Hall Representative
    - i. Erica wants to make a Twitter and/or Instagram to engage more Hendrix students.
      - a. This may end up becoming a responsibility of the Facebook Guru (who would then be called the "Social Media Guru").
  - i. Report by ECC Market Square Representative
    - i. Signs will be put up shortly in Market Square South!
  - j. Report by ECC New Student Representatives
    - i. Mimi is planning her hike at Petit Jan for April 25<sup>th</sup>, time and meet-up spot to be determined.
  - k. Report by Secretary/Treasurer



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- i. Nick looked into the possibility of recycling kitchen grease into biofuel.
    - a. Unfortunately, there are no biofuel producers in the area to take kitchen grease.
  - ii. Going to order a special recycling box for miscellaneous bike parts and accessories for the Hendrix bike shop.
    - a. Kaylee will donate her \$30 so that Nick can purchase the box. Thanks Kaylee!
  - iii. Emailed Zach Green about rolling out a campus-wide update to computer to set default energy saving settings.
8. General Business: "Anything for the good of the order?"
  - a. Demolition of house next to the Hendrix Garden.
    - i. Look in to salvaging materials for reuse.
9. Dismissal (8:15 p.m.)