

Green Team Notes – 11/1/13

- Gardens
 - Dennis will be leading this initiative
 - Dorris will be speaking to the PTOs about parent involvement
- Power down
 - December 20th – January 2nd
 - High School system is new as of last year and highly efficient
 - Moharime system is not functioning properly
 - Timeline
 - Now – December
 - Data collection on what is left on after a given school day (students can be driving force)
 - Computers
 - Projectors
 - Power cords
 - Promethean board
 - Advertising
 - Faculty meetings
 - Weekly/monthly publications
 - Make sure we are reaching out to everyone who works in the schools, not just teachers
 - Para professionals
 - Custodians
 - Food service
 - Get questions answered
 - Questions for Jim (Should have these answered by Friday Nov. 8th)
 - Is the system centrally controlled?
 - What is the minimum temperature that the schools can be brought down to?
 - Best way to monitor? How can we calculate results
 - Questions for individual principles
 - How can we best advertise this at each specific school?
 - What happens at the school during breaks that might require energy/heat use?
 - Do teachers typically come in during break? Is the front office open?
 - It will be important to know the DNA of each building!
- Biomass tours
 - November 8th 8:00-11:00
 - November 15th 8:00-12:00 (Henniker, NH)
- School Board Recommendations
 - The current green team is dealing with typical growing pains

- Our responsibilities need to be more clearly defined, as a group we are still trying to figure out who we are and our roles within the larger sustainability committee
- Expectations from the sustainability committee are higher than what they are compensating
- 25\$/hour @ 4,000 (In just 8 weeks we have already burned through our stipends)
- Major challenges
 - Balancing individual school work and group projects
 - We often find ourselves caught between the expectations of the principles and the sustainability committee
 - Huge communication gaps
- Recommendations
 - Need a buffer between sustainability committee and us
 - If keeping the five person model perhaps have someone proficient in various specializations?
 - We each bring our own vision to the team
 - We all have our own niches
- Questions about the Sustainability Policy
 - Who enforces the sustainability policy?
 - Is the green team responsible for implementing that policy beyond what we're doing in the individual schools?
 - Feels like we are fractured in a way
- Next sustainability committee meeting is **November 13th at 7pm at the high school**
 - January 8th
 - March 12th
 - May 14th