

Campus Tree Advisory Board Meeting
November 7, 2014
1:30-2:30
Landscape Services Conference Room

Present: Eileen Bergt, Richard Sutton, Susan Budler, Emily Casper, Mark Canney, Jeff Culbertson, Brittany Mitzlaff-Jensen and Charlie Griesen

Absent: Mark Canney

The minutes from the May, 13, 2014 meeting were read and approved.

Old Business:

Advisory Committee:

Richard Sutton agreed to another 3 year term, his term will now expire in 2017.

Brittany Mitzlaff-Jensen and Charlie Griesen terms will be up in May 2015. Brittany will be graduating, so we will need to find a student representative to replace her. In May, Charlie will let us know if he wants to extend his term until 2018.

Tree Campus USA Update:

Eileen will be submitting our application for Tree Campus USA in December. There are currently 178 schools that have the designation of Tree Campus USA.

Discuss Goals and Targets of Tree Campus:

The committee agreed to continue the same goals of tree inventory and tree management policy for the next Tree Campus submittal.

Landscape Services is planning to have our staff continue mapping trees this winter.

New Business:

Bio-Diversity:

Richard suggested that we should have more diversity of plants, trees and shrubs on campus, especially plants native to Nebraska or the Great Plains. UNL should be leading the way in diversity. In the future Plant Biodiversity could become one of our Tree Campus USA goals and targets. We discussed that we have been planting new and unusual trees, many coming from the Schmidt Trial Pack. It was agreed that we should record our diversity. Richard thought this would be a good student project.

Campus Projects:

Facilities Planning and Construction (FPC) Projects

In addition to projects in the May 14, 2014 minutes

School of Nursing proposed to be on city campus

New City Campus Dining, this facility is east of North of Knoll.

East Campus Housing located on Bio Chemistry site is going to Board of Regents in November

Maxwell Drainage study is projected to be completed in January 2015

College of Business Administration (CBA). New building to be north of Kauffman and begin construction this winter

FPC Trees planted or projected to be planted

Outdoor Adventure Center	29
Eastside Suites	49
Devaney Center	20
EC Monument	10
EC Activities	24
Love Commons	<u>30</u>
	162

FPC Projects that will affect trees:

Vet Diagnostic	27	
Love Commons	28	will replace with 30 trees-moved 1
CBA	46	moved 4

(Updated 4/17/2015)

Trees planted and removed to date by Landscape Services:

Trees planted 51

Trees Removed

Evergreens	30
Deciduous	<u>61</u>
	91

2015 Service Learning and Arbor Day Celebrations

We will plan tree plantings on both city and east campuses on or around Arbor Day. One plan is to plant 2-3 Newton Apple trees at Jorgenson propagated from the original Newton Apple tree on campus, as the city campus Arbor Day Celebration. We have contacted the physics staff in the building, so they can participate.

Richard said to let him know when the dates are for Service Learning planting which usually coincides with Earth Day. He may have some students that can help plant.

We will try to have our spring meeting before graduation on May 9th, so Brittany can attend.

Next Meeting
Spring 2015