

Campus Tree Advisory Board Meeting
April 22, 2015
1:30-2:30
Landscape Services Conference Room

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

Absent: None

The minutes from the November 7, 2014 meeting were read and approved.

Old Business:

Advisory Committee:

Charlie Griesen will extend his term to 2018. Brittany Mitzlaff-Jensen's term is up and she is graduating. Richard Sutton gave us the name of a horticulture student, Aaron Moore. We will see if Aaron would like to join the committee as our student representative.

Tree Campus USA Update:

Eileen submitted our application for 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.

New Business:

Arbor Day Tree Planting

April 23, 2015 in Maxwell Arboretum at 11:00 am. We will be planting a Horsechestnut Tree.

Newton Apple Tree Planting

May 7, 2015 at Jorgensen Hall at 11:00 am

Service Learning Project

This years' Service Learning Project will be in the fall when plant.

Ash Tree Management Strategy

We have identified all the ash trees on both campuses

We have begun removal of some of the more stressed and damaged trees that are more vulnerable to Emerald Ash Borer

UNL Tree Preservation and Mitigation Policy

Key points – zero net loss, education of value of trees during design and construction process, protect trees during construction, establish lines of communication

Preservation – all trees on a site will be assessed during the programming phase of the project and a landscape protection plan will be developed that indicates value of tree, protection standards – contractors are responsible for the assessed value if a tree is damaged

Mitigation - construction project must pay for trees removed based on their ISA value – if there is money in the budget designated for trees that amount will be subtracted from the assessed value and the project pays into the tree fund.

Tree protection and assessment plant
Specifications for tree protection

Have approval of the policy we have drafted to move forward from Executive Director, finalizing some wording and goals and will be presented to senior administration for final approval.

This policy will be incorporated into Design Guidelines

Campus Plantings

Sheldon Wall Planter
Morrill Hall Northside
Brace
Fleming Slope and Yeutter
Plant Science North
Quilt Center

Campus Projects:

Facilities Planning and Construction (FPC) Projects

EC Housing
City Dining
Law College

FPC Trees planted or projected to be planted

EC Recreation/Activities Building--24 Trees
Love North --30 Trees
EC Monuments --10 Shingle Oak and Swamp White Oak

FPC Projects that will affect trees:

City Campus Dining
Law College Addition-some to be salvaged--12 affected-still need to determine

Next Meeting
Fall 2015