

**University of Central Arkansas**

**RESPONSIBLE UCA COMMITTEE  
(Cost Containment)**

**MINUTES  
November 29, 2012**

Meeting was called to order at 1:45 PM in Wingo Hall 210, by Diane Newton, Chair.

**Attendees Present:**

Diane Newton, Chair  
Bunny Adcock, Board Member/Community Representative  
Francie Bolter, Faculty/Faculty Senate Representative  
Larry Lawrence, Administrative Representative  
Linda Lentz, Budget Office/Staff Representative  
Chad Hearne, Staff/Staff Senate Representative  
Angie Howard, Community Representative

**Absent:**

Laura Young, Administrative/Faculty Representative

**Speaker:**

Angie Howard, Conway Corporation, Recycling

**Items:**

- SGA has not yet provided the names of the two students who will fill our student representative positions on the RU Committee.
- Minutes from the October 9, 2012, meeting has been posted to the RU website.
- Chair, Diane Newton and committee members welcomed our newest member of the Responsible UCA Committee, Angie Howard, also our speaker today on "Recycling."

**Angela Howard, Conway Corporation - Recycling at UCA with committee discussion**

- Spoke on increased opportunities for recycling at UCA
- Since January 1, 2012, UCA has recycled 107.34 tons
- The Conway recycling facility recycles approximately 10,000 tons per year
- Glass - The recycling facility now handles glass
  - Must be in separate bin
  - Must be clean
  - Recycler will accept glass with a lid and/or a label; all colors of glass accepted
  - Recycled through a fiberglass company in Missouri
  - Conway Corporation can provide some bins
- Cafeteria - Recyclable materials are picked up from the cafeteria but they need more
  - Aluminum cans
  - Steel cans
  - Other containers
  - These items can be co-mingled
  - Conway Corp can change their schedule for pick up to a later time if this will help

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- Dorms
  - Pizza boxes most common recycled material
  - Have RA's been told about items that can be co-mingled
  - RA's can also help with glass recycling if bins made available
  - Angie Howard is available to speak to student groups or RA's – her contact information is now available on the Responsible UCA website
- Move In & Move Out Days
  - Conway Corp already helping with recycling on Move In & Move Out days – can they do more?
- Football and other events on campus
  - Football – only events where noticeable recycling is happening
  - Need to increase recycling at all other events, volleyball, soccer, etc.
- Recycling Container Tips
  - Clear Stream Containers - They have found people are less likely to contaminate when using see-through containers where recycled items are clearly visible
  - By putting recycling containers next to the trash containers increases recycling (most people will not walk even five (5) feet to use a recycling container)
  - Clearly marked containers are used more often than unmarked containers
  - UCA puts signs on walls directly behind the trash and/or recycle container directing types of materials to be deposited in each container
  - Recycling and trash containers are placed side by side near the Student Center
  - Per Angie, there are grants available to purchase recycling bins for special events
- ❖ Discussion on recycling
  - Terri Starnes can help target bottles and cans
  - HP – possible grant for recycling
  - Request letters and other documents print 2-sided instead of single sheet
  - Greek committees could help spread information about recycling – possible incentives if contests between groups
  - City picks up garbage but we pay a fee for the amount picked up depending on the weight – if we can get entire UCA community to pitch in and keep recycled materials out of waste containers, better for the environment and the less we have to pay.
  - Light bulbs – already recycled
  - Bunny suggested that Angie walk around the campus with Larry and recognize areas we need to recycle
  - Population ever changing – need to review recycling on yearly basis.
  - Tim Decker sent “UCA is Green for Recycling” PowerPoint to all UCA community in August. Larry, Tim & Angie will do a campus walk-thru.
  - Construction on campus is all LEED certified.
  - Work with SEED Committee on a “Recycling Campaign”; have a competition
  - Inspire classes to present a video to committee or to a client. Angie can give access to Recycling Center for work on video. Her email address is [Angela.Howard@Conwaycorp.net](mailto:Angela.Howard@Conwaycorp.net). She said it is okay to give out her contact information to students, faculty and staff.
  - Work with RA programs
  - Raise awareness – Recycle:
    - Plate size (waste & waist)
    - Straws
    - Water bottles
  - Have public relations classes help with a marketing campaign
  - Larry to get with Jim Nabors to check on recycling metal cans
  - Vegetables – waste from kitchen can be sent to hog farms
  - Adding aerators to faucets saves money – Clear Point donated and installed them for us
  - For more PR – send out hints campus wide

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**Additional Discussion:**

- Diane Newton met with the State Legislature on UCA's Cost Containment website – it was noted that it took six (6) clicks to get to the Responsible UCA/Cost Containment website, now it takes two (2) clicks. Click A to Z website, and then click UCA Cost Containment or Responsible UCA.
- Leslie Chronister has been working to dress up the RU website, and Chad Hearne has added new topics and reorganized current topics already posted on the website. Information needs to be sent to Chad to keep the website up to date, such as: Recycling, Energy Star, LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), Resident Hall - Gas Heat, Clear Results, etc. Chad, Leslie and Connie to post information on website.

**Future speakers/presentations suggested:**

- Graham Gillis – wellness and academic affairs, savings in President's office
- Dr. Runge was detained and we will ask him to speak at an upcoming RU meeting.

**Next Meeting:** Scheduled for January 17<sup>th</sup> at Xperiod in Wingo Hall 210.

**Meeting adjourned at 2:40 PM.**