Minutes President's Committee on Corporate Social Responsibility Wednesday, September 19, 2012 Gentry Building Room 246 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Present: Kelsey Barringham, Gina DeVivo Brassaw, Ann Crawford, Kimberly Fearney, Celia Guillard, Shareen Hertel, Nina Hunter, Waldo Klein, Leslie Langworthy, Kyle Muncy, Dennis Pierce, Susan Randolph, William Simpson, John Sears, Tim Tolokan

Absent: Robert Bird, Phil Dwire, Michael Kirk

Meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m. by Chair Hertel.

Chair Hertel welcomed two additional members, Ann Crawford (Assistant Dean for Finance and Administration, UConn Law School), and Ms. Celia Guillard (undergraduate, majoring in Economics and International Relations with a Human Rights and Social Justice focus). Peter Kochenburger has stepped down.

<u>Minutes</u>: Chair Hertel asked for approval of the minutes. A motion was made by Susan Randolph to approve the August 29, 2012, minutes. The motion was seconded by Leslie Langworthy and approved.

<u>Website updates</u>: Chair Hertel informed the committee that the website updates are in place. Leslie Langworthy has provided slightly revised language for the "Purchasing Standard" portion of the PCCSR website. Rich Miller shared the following link for the informational background on the "Water Bottle Education Initiative" page under "Want to Take Action." <u>http://ecohusky.uconn.edu/living/bottles.html</u>

Chair Hertel communicated to the members that the link for "Think Outside the Bottle Initiative & Distribution" has been uploaded on the website and appeared in the UConn Daily Digest today (September 19, 2012).

<u>Update on bottle distribution project</u>: Dennis informed the committee that Dining Services created an announcement which has been uploaded on its website. Bill Simpson will handle regional campus distribution to Faculty & Staff and they may pick up their bottles at the UConn Co-Op retail stores on those campuses beginning the week of September 24, 2012. Dennis informed the committee that the sponsors were PCCSR, ECoHusky, Dining Services, AAUP & UCPEA. Dining Services will carry out student bottle distribution through the dining units.

<u>Update on outreach event re: Rainforest Alliance coffee</u>: <u>Dennis</u> Pierce spoke with Rainforest Alliance representatives and they have agreed to come to Storrs on October 17, 2012, along with representatives of Omar Coffee (Uconn Dining Services main distributor). Gina DeVivo Brassaw and Nina Hunter will work on flyer with the information "*HOW GREEN IS YOUR COFFEE*?" which will be upload on the PCCSR website. The representatives will attend the October 2012 PCCSR meeting and then have an informal dinner with the key PCCSR members. The public event will be held at EcoHouse (Sprague Hall) at 7 p.m. This will be hosted by Dining Services, UConn Residential Life, Office of Community Outreach, the President's Committee on Corporate Social Responsibility, & EcoHusky. Nina Hunter will be the contact person if anyone has questions.

<u>Update on beverage contract</u>: Leslie Langworthy mentioned that UConn is in execution phase. Once she has more details she will share with committee members.

<u>Update slightly revised Purchasing language; broader University Code</u>: Chair Hertel informed the committee that the revised Purchasing language has been uploaded on the website. She, Leslie Langworthy and Kim Fearney are scheduled to meet with several members of President Herbst's cabinet to continue discussion of a broader, University-wide Vendor Code of Conduct. The meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 10, 2012. Hertel will provide an update to the committee when we reconvene on Wednesday, October 17, 2012.

New Business: Chair Hertel asked Kyle Muncy for an update on issues related to supply chain management in factories producing logo-bearing apparel, particularly in light of recent media coverage of a factory fire in Pakistan. Kyle will provide an update at the next PCCSR meeting.

Chair Hertel concluded the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Next meeting is scheduled for October 17, 2012, at 3:00 p.m. in Gentry Building.