

# HEASC News Digest

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### 1. Interview with Sallie Traxler, Executive Director of ACUHO-I

This interview with Sallie Traxler is the first in a series of interviews with HEASC members. In the interview, Sallie discusses sustainability measures at ACUHO-I and in their programs and how membership in HEASC has affected this effort. Norb Dunkel, President-elect of ACUHO-I's Executive Board tackled the final interview question on how ACUHO-I could support signatories to the ACUPCC. The interview can be found on the HEASC website homepage. To download the interview directly, click on the link below:

[http://www.aashe.org/heasc/documents/SallieTraxlerInterview\\_7-25-07\\_final.pdf](http://www.aashe.org/heasc/documents/SallieTraxlerInterview_7-25-07_final.pdf)

-Mary Reilly

### 2. Special Offer for HEASC Members from *GreenPrint* through December 2007

GreenPrint is offering the Enterprise version of its *GreenPrint* product (normally \$70 per license) to all HEASC members at their educational discount of 50%, making the price \$35 per license. GreenPrint software eliminates waste associated with printing (most notably that last page with just the URL, banner ad, or legal jargon) saving time, toner, and money but more importantly, saving trees, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and decreasing waste.

GreenPrint will also include a free version of *EverGreen* font with every license (usually \$10). EverGreen is the first environmental font designed to maximize the number of words per page, without compromising readability. GreenPrint can also provide free 60 day trials of the GreenPrint product to any HEASC member who would like to try out the software with no risk.

If you are interested in this offer, contact Karina Nagin at 503-241-0818 or [karina@printgreener.com](mailto:karina@printgreener.com) and be sure to tell them that you a HEASC member. For more information, go to <http://www.printgreener.com>.

-Mary Reilly

### 3. AASHE Staff Blogs in New Campus Sustainability Perspectives on the AASHE Website

Check out the latest addition to the AASHE website—blogs by AASHE staff members on topics related to Campus Operations, Campus Culture and more). You have the choice of reading the blogs on the website at: <http://www.aashe.net/staffblog/> or receiving posts by email or RSS feed (go to <http://www.aashe.net/staffblog/subscribe-to-this-blog>). Optionally, you can create an account that allows you to post comments. Stop by and check out this great new tool and join in on the discussions about sustainability on campus.

-Niles Barnes, AASHE

#### **4. The Clinton Climate Initiative Offers \$100 Million in Project Financing to ACUPCC Signatories**

The Clinton Climate Initiative (a Clinton Foundation program) is offering an initial allocation of \$100 million of project financing exclusively available to all signatories of the ACUPCC. This program is designed to achieve reductions in energy use of 20-50% with no capital investment or net additional operating budget required, as the loans and fees are paid for by energy savings generated by the retrofits. If enough institutions are interested in the offer, the Clinton Foundation will expand the allocation exponentially to pay for all energy efficiency retrofit projects undertaken by ACUPCC signatories.

In order to finalize this arrangement, we are assessing interest among ACUPCC signatories, and whether there are projects that could be initiated within the next 12-18 months. Stay tuned for updates on this exciting initiative.

*-Mary Reilly*

#### **5. Articles from *Community College Times*: "First Fully Green Campus" and "Colleges Must Take Environmental Lead"**

Thanks to Carolyn Teich of AACCC for sending in these articles. The first is on the new *Center for Health Sciences and Technology* at Ohlone Community College. This is the first campus to be totally LEED certified. Read the article at:

<http://www.communitycollegetimes.com/article.cfm?TopicId=4&ArticleId=421>

The next is an opinion piece by Darroch "Rocky" Young, Chancellor of the LA Community College District. Young discusses how he went through a gradual "metamorphosis" in adopting green building practices and why higher education needs to take the lead on the issue of climate change. Read the article at:

<http://www.communitycollegetimes.com/article.cfm?TopicId=4&ArticleId=434>

Note that both Ohlone Community College and LA Community College District are signatories to the ACUPCC.

*-Mary Reilly*

#### **6. Registration Open for SCUP's Campus Sustainability Day Webcast**

Registration is now open for the fifth annual SCUP webcast supporting Campus Sustainability Day entitled: Building a Durable Future: Community, the Campus, and Deep Economy. It will be held Wednesday, October 24, 2007 from noon – 1:30pm, eastern time. Presenters include Norm Christopher, Director of Sustainability, Grand Valley State University, Tom Kimmerer, Executive Director of AASHE, and Bill McKibben. See <http://www.scup.org/csd/5/index.html> for more information.

*-Mary Reilly*