

# SPARC

## Sustainability for Academics and Resources Council

September 10, 2009



**To:** Contributors to Sustainability in Education at PCC  
**From:** Sustainable Practices for Academics and Resources Council (SPARC) Chairs  
**Re:** First SPARC meeting, October 23, Central Portland, 2:00-4:00, Room 202/203

Dear Contributor,

In an effort to provide district-wide coordination of the outstanding efforts of faculty and staff to infuse sustainability in the delivery of our curricula and the operation of our facilities at PCC, the President's Cabinet has requested the formation of a cross disciplinary advisory council.

You have been identified as an individual with a demonstrated commitment to furthering sustainability-related academic programming and curriculum development at PCC. You could have an interest in all or part of the overall goals of this council or a subcommittee thereof. The Vice President for Student and Academic Affairs, Dr. Chris Chairsell, will participate in our first meeting. This will be a general meeting to inform you of the intended work of the council and to enable you to identify the areas of interest you have in supporting the council.

The charter for this council will be to provide the President's Cabinet with updates and a single point of reference in response to both internal and external queries related to PCC's sustainability activities. Additionally, SPARC will:

- Encourage the active sharing of information for all curriculum related initiatives
- Coordinate potential grant efforts
- Act as a single point of reference for facilities-related initiatives
- Maintain a historical record of PCC's efforts in green technologies

Thank you for the work you do to contribute to the quality programming and facilities at PCC! We look forward to your assistance in the development of this important council. If you are unable to commit at this time, please consider joining us for our first meeting to determine how you might remain connected to the work of the council.

Sincerely,

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