

**STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND ENGAGEMENT WORKING GROUP SESSION NOTES
ENERGY LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE MID-YEAR MEETING – 25 February 2014**

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1. Updates/Current Status of Student Group
 - a. NCSEN: Passed 100% clean energy in ASG Feb. 2014. Must develop action plan by summer 2015 to achieve the goal by 2050 (in line with climate neutrality commitment of UNC).
 - b. Revolving group of students from Summer 2012 and Summer 2013 sessions
2. Student Engagement through Research/Class Activities
 - a. Physical Sciences: Biofuel cell project example can be applicable across many courses
 - b. Reach into communities – outreach projects, surveys; help the campus and surrounding community
 - i. Conduct sustainability audits for local businesses (create value of the curriculum to the community)
 - c. Spread energy savings \$ to surrounding area
3. What they want in July 2014:
 - a. Potential Employers:
 - i. EPA
 - ii. Greenpeace
 - iii. NC League of Municipalities
 - iv. City Government
 - v. Appalachian Voices

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- vi. FLS Energy
 - vii. US Army Corp of Engineers
 - viii. International Development
 - ix. Solar One
 - x. Nano Solar
 - xi. Lucid
 - xii. Waste to Energy companies
 - xiii. Big Belly/Solar Entrepreneurs
 - xiv. NOAA
 - xv. Cree
- b. Session Topics:
- i. Hands-on Workshops
 - 1. Solar Panels
 - 2. Biofuels
 - ii. Grant Writing
 - iii. Outreach on campus/student recruiting
 - iv. Working with university administration
 - v. Recruiters – employer skills

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