

Minutes

Advisory Council on Sustainability and Stewardship

Tuesday, March 17, 2015

Jepson 120, 12:10-1PM

In Attendance: Makenna Sellers, Putter Tiatragul, Alaina Kowitz, Jim Simon, Samantha Rhea, Cathy DeHart, Susanne Croft, Ira Ford, Mollie Picha, Scott Eisele, Nicole, Bejar, Katie Martens, John Stember, Dan Harris, Ben Covino, Jackie Van Allen, Ken Sammons, Tomson Spink, Jake Wood, Dionna Klein, Emily Fulp, Mari Schramm, Conny Garcia, Greg Gordon, Monica Barlett, and Danielle Moorhouse

Announcement: Monica will be sending out an email to ask who would like to remain on the ACSS for the '15-'16 school year. PLEASE respond to email to remain on list-serve Subcommittee State of Sustainability Reports

Communications

- The number of Facebook likes has increased by 37% since the beginning of the school year
- Committee acts as a second set of eyes for all sustainability media sources
- Ira has shared multiple articles with Jim throughout the year
- Jim and Alaina are working on Q and A for sustainability e-newsletter

Culture

- Green graduation pledge
- Real Food working groups
- Green Event Certification is in the works
- On campus garden is off and running, getting more student attention than anticipated

Carbon

- More info to come

Curriculum

- Hope to work with faculty and student interests groups
- Reached out to multiple groups on campus (i.e. business, study abroad, service learning, RHA, career center, computer science department, net impact)
- There was a survey conducted that asked faculty to report of how and if they include sustainability in their curriculum
 - Should we conduct this survey again
 - Business school is in the process of conducting a survey that will provide information on curriculum being taught in current classes
 - Be able to apply not just environmental sustainability but in all aspects of university curriculum

*Sub-committees please come up with a written list of your activities (past, current, and future) for the year and send them to Monica so they can be added to the State of Sustainability Report.

Director of Sustainability Report

- LINC Foods in still accepting applicants
- Conservation and efficiency program
 - People/policy/plant
- Transportation
 - STA- adjusted numbers/justification
 - Electric vehicle charging stations- meeting this week

- Wellness Committee
 - Bike to Work Week, May 11-15?
- Energy
 - Tomson talked about all the working around campus that go towards reducing energy usage
 - Heat recovery, used in dorms, tilford, hughes, will be used in the Hemingson Center
 - Plant recently purchased 2,000 LED retrofit kits to replace 96w lights to 39w LED lights
 - Plant is now looking to market all the great things that they have been doing to support sustainability efforts on campus
 - Plant is also working with Lucid to create an energy dashboard for GU
- Culture
 - Green Drink networking event will be help on April 9th
 - AASHE update: two presentations
 - Growing With Faith: community gardens
 - Old Dogs, New Tricks
- Mission Possible- simple living and service to the ecology of the Marin Headlands