

University Sustainability Committee

October 19, 2017

Members Present: Dr. Krista Harrell, Chair, Dr. Glen Borchert, Todd Culp, William Guess, Cecelia Martin, Mary Beth Massey, Maria McElyea, Diana Nichols, Stephanie Smallegan, Conleigh Gilmore

Members Absent: Dr. John Cleary, Victor Cohen, Brad Sanders, Dr. Doug Marshall, Kelly Rushing, Carl Thomas (SGA)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. by Dr. Krista Harrell.

Old Business:

1. Review of the September 2017 minutes: The minutes for the September 21, 2017 committee meeting were approved.
2. Mission Discussion: Krista went to AASHE Conference as well as Catherine Kelly and Ann Foster. We will take majority of the meeting in November, maybe 30 minutes to go through and present information of what Social Justice/Equity piece of sustainability means.
3. Website Update: Continue to forward content
4. Daily Digest Updates: Content to Krista & Catherine by 1st of each month.
5. Bookstore Ink Cartridge Purchasing: Dr. Borchert shared presentation for the meeting. Departments responded positively for ink cartridges. Ink cartridges cost less and they are plant base instead of oil base. Dr. Harrell suggested sustainability should use due to other public institutions utilizes them as well. Bill Guess shared that Ricoh Publication do not use cartridges on their system but will check into it.
6. Student Sustainability Council Updates: Maria shared Bee Keeping workshop tonight and Mr. Roe will give an overview cost and benefits. Campus Garden Day November 11. Dr. Harrell suggested taking pictures at the Garden Day to share with the university. William Guess shared that the water supply was turned off. Todd Culp will check with Keith Parmer to see why the water supply is turned off and to see if they will keep the water on. William Guess shared he have prices for a greenhouse that needs to be looked at. Picnic tables have been sanded and stained to be maintained and work order has been submitted to trim and cut the area to make it look clean.

New Business:

1. AASHE Highlights: Dr. Harrell shared a presentation on Prioritizing Sustainable Learning with the Sustainability Coordinator at University of Texas. College of Charleston did presentation on Sustainability Literacy.

2. Bike Share Program: Dr. Harrell, Dr. Borchert, and Michael Brown met about bike sharing program. Bike program no cost to the university. SPIN Bike Program bring bikes and setup on campus. Bikes will not be allowed off campus, bikes will lock.

Cecilia Martin shared concern of helmets.

Dr. Harrell suggested training class for bike safety, pedestrian friendly and bike friendly campus before launching the bike program.

Diana Nichols shared concern how many bikes will be on campus.

Todd Culp suggested we reach out to other universities and see what their input is on the bike programs that they have.

3. Open Floor: Recycling at tailgating. Requesting to have recycling bins under each tent or have at main locations for recycling.

William Guess shared that the Recycling Center has been paved.

Todd Culp shared 20 Fraternity guys will come and volunteer at the Recycling Center.

Todd Culp shared they are pulling 20,000 pounds of recycling a week.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.



Dr. Krista Harrell, Associate Dean of Students, VP of Student Affairs