

April 22, 2019, Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

Attending:

Nanna Meyer, Joel Tonyan, Robin Maragolin, Suzanne Cook, Carole Huber, Maggie Gaddis, Julie Weller, Brandon Bishop, Cynthia Norton, Linda Kogan

1. Congratulations to George Cheney for winning the campus Sustainability Award

2. Selecting a committee co-chair for the next academic year

- Joel will email sustainability committee to see who is interested in a two year term as co-chair/chair
- Logistical ideas for next year:
 - Meetings same day of the week
 - Joel will share a Doodle poll at beginning of semester about when is best
 - Location: UCCS Farmhouse, Sustainability Demonstration House
 - Food: Signup for food, Signup for cleanup, Potluck, maybe a designated "host" for each meeting, perhaps hosting involves spotlighting your area of sustainability
 - Perhaps draw students from other sustainability programs: SWELL, GAF, Sustainability Senator from Student
- Things to work on next year/ideas for next year
 - Get more involved in surrounding community
 - Being viewed in the community as real leaders, going to public events
 - Perhaps hosting sustainability events at the downtown center
 - Perhaps outreach about sustainability to K-12
 - Getting sustainability center status for the campus
 - Update Sustainability Committee Bylaws, add co-chair responsibility, change fulltime language
 - Update campus Sustainability Plan, 2020 to 2030, ideally with climate action plan
 - Current plan:
 - <https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.uccs.edu/Documents/sustain/Sustainability%2520Strategic%2520Plan%2520-%2520rev1%2520Final.pdf&sa=U&ved=0ahUKEwj69rrRq-ThAhVBPq0KHRKdApcQFggGMAE&client=internal-uds-cse&cx=014046693424460612143:v5mmck337wu&usg=AOvVaw3XDs0gdeOKwxCrAuot5zE1>
 - New plan will hopefully be finished by December 2020
 - The committee can help develop goals
 - Try and match style to match overall campus strategic plan
 - Invite advisors to a breakfast to talk about the minor
 - Invite director first, Brett Fugate

3. Other business

- Possibility of pursuing the EBSCO Solar grant, which provides \$200,000 for a campus to install solar panels on their library's roof

- Need to look at status of current roof and if it could support a solar installation
 - Grant details: <https://www.ebsco.com/solar>
- Solar energy international funded solar energy course
 - Students will work with contractor to install system
 - Linda needs 8 students who are interested by the end of May
 - Scholarships can probably fund 7
- PIPS program, points awarded for sustainable action
 - New fund will allow points to be exchanged for small scholarships
 - App, successful at Boulder, looking at doing something similar here
- Sustainability Summit, Nov. 7, 2019