

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes, Monday, May 5, 2022

- **Announcements**
 - **Congrats to Mike Kisley, new co-chair**
 - **Farmhouse Plant Sale**
 - The UCCS Farm has an annual plant sale every year that is open to both the campus community and the Pikes Peak region.
 - Jamie Dunston looking to have the plant sale on May 25th, 26th, and 27th.
 - The plant sale will be located in parking lot 103 if the weather is good. If not an alternative location will be put in place.
 - The sale runs from 8:00am -1:00pm.
 - If there is anyone who would be up for helping out at the sale that would be great. I like to get started around 6:00 am. If there are any early birds that don't mind flexing their time for the day that would be great. I need help getting set up for the day, carrying plants to the parking lot, organizing the plants, putting orders together, helping customers, putting up signs, possibly operating a Clover for credit card sales, watering the plants throughout the day, calling customers that did not pick up plants and helping break down the plant sale after it's over.
 - If you and your team think you'd be interested in helping out for this 3-day event please let Jamie know.
 - Volunteers wouldn't necessarily have to stay the whole time. We do need help at the beginning and at the end and throughout the day.
 - Reach out to Jamie Dunston if interested in volunteering
 - **Office of Sustainability**
 - New updates on Durazap tags for people who bike to campus
 - Clean the Stream effort on Friday, April 30
 - More than 40 participants
 - Men's soccer team, alumni, fraternity volunteer
 - Event Attendance for Earth Day was decent
 - But it's clear that events attendance is still not back to normal
 - Green Action Fund, reviewing 4 apps
 - 4 or 5 students are graduating, need new volunteers, undergrad or graduate students
 - [Join the Committee | Green Action Fund \(uccs.edu\)](#)
- **The Sustainability Strategic Plan was approved by the Cabinet!**
 - Thanks to Kimberly Reeves and Jaymee Collins for their tremendous efforts in authoring the plan
 - And thanks to the committee for all your invaluable input
 - Will distribute plan to deans, directors, faculty assembly, staff council, SGA
- **Update on Search Committee for Director of Sustainability position**
 - Konrad starts May 9th
- **Return of UCCS Farmstand/CSA, Nanna Meyer**
 - Proposal to create Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program.

- Here is the information on Excelsior CSA in Boone, CO (food hub where Nanna has worked prior to our move to the four corners). They use foods from Pueblo farmers and Taproot Cooperative. Springside Cheese in Pueblo manages the ordering platform. <https://co.springsidecheese.com/excelsior-csa/>
- Need minimum of 15 subscribers to start CSA
- Opportunities it would provide:
 - Could morph into farmstand we had before
 - Teach topics that come out of CSA, food literacy, economics, sustainability, social justice, geography of food, marketing and outreach, sociology, language and culture, etc.
- Hybl would be the most likely location, not the farmhouse, because it's easier to distribute to.
- Need volunteers to help with distribution, logistical management, etc.
- CSA would go from June to October.
- **Grain School in the Field**
 - 2nd Grain School in the Field
 - Summer Grain Fest in the San Juan Valley
 - Taking place in July
 - Limited to 50 participants