Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes – December 9, 2019

Attendance:

Joel Tonyan, Skyler Rorabaugh, Christine Biermann, Cindy Norton, Kimberly Reeves, Bethan Keith, Jim Spice, Maggie Gaddis, Amy Wanek, Brandon Goldstein, Linda Kogan, Alex Jobe, David Havlick, Nanna Meyer, Nate Siebert, Vaughn Love

Agenda

- Announcements (30 minutes)
 - Office of Sustainability
 - Wrapped up several events, Summit, End-of-Year Mixer
 - o Around 50 came to Dec. 5 event
 - SEAS SEAS the moment, GAF project, sustainability themed bags, going to hand out at events
 - Next semester, will meet at 4:30pm on Tuesdays (location TBD)
 - GAF going well, largest the committee has been, more outreach, more communication, more capacity (3 proposers coming for a presentation tomorrow), 14 students now, going to appoint new faculty advisor
 - SWELL Grain School, January 17-19
 - Needing more students to participate
 - o Grain school schedule is available on the Grain School website
 - o Provide faculty/staff lanyards for attendance
 - Last year face-to-face, next year Grain School goes online
 - Flying Carrot ramping up mobile education
 - o Checkout Food Journeys videos on SWELL website
 - Flying Carrot videos, seasonal, farm-to-institution videos coming out in January
 - Brandon Senator for Sustainability selected, voting on Thursday at Senate meeting, will start in January
 - Christine CU Boulder, student government and faculty assembly declared a climate emergency: https://ciresblogs.colorado.edu/prometheus/2019/12/09/climate-change-activists-at-cu-boulder-proclaim-action-is-needed-now/
 - O David said that last year the faculty assembly approved a measure stating that climate change is a concern:
 - https://www.uccs.edu/facassembly/november-2017
- Sustainability Award (5 minutes)
 - Joel will be sending out call for nominations soon
 - Either look at University Awards or ROAR awards for student recognition
 - Green stoles are being given out for graduates, for sustainability minor, SEAS, worked for office, SWELL, GAF
- Sustainability Summit Debrief (15 minutes)
 - 147 signed up
 - Linda will send out feedback on Four Core Strategies at Summit via email when they've been compiled
- Sustainability Strategic Planning (40 minutes)

- Subteams/Working Groups
 - o Look at ideas developed from last year's teams
 - o Need more signups
 - o Joel will send out call to entire campus via student, faculty, staff listservs
- Next Steps?
 - o Invite faculty, staff, student participation
 - o Should we survey students? Faculty? Staff?
 - o SGA could push out a resolution
 - o Stakeholder Support group Vote from SGA, Faculty Assembly, Staff Council
 - o Pick out a day for open forum in spring, perhaps February?
 - o In library 2nd floor apse?
 - o First forum focused on Four Core Strategies
 - o Maybe around lunch time? Could have some food?