

# Sustainability Committee Meeting – November 11, 2019

- **Attendance:** Joel Tonyan, Christine Biermann, Cindy Norton, Sean Svette, David Havlick, Linda Kogan, Kimberly Reeves, Nate Siebert, Brandon Goldstein, Suzanne Cook, Maggie Gaddis, Bethan, Tracy Gonzalez-Padron, Marie Hoerner
- **Announcements and Updates (20 minutes)**
  - *Office of Sustainability (report from Linda and Kimberly)*
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sustainability Summit: November 21, 2019. Please come and invite others. Attendees can stay for all or some of the event.
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Alumni Event: December 6, 2019 (4:30-7:30) at Sustainability Demo House
    - PIPs: almost 1,400 students (10% of student body) participating; 57% putting rewards toward tuition dollars.
      - Currently in one-year pilot. On track to be well over the numbers UCCS has subscribed for.
    - PikeRide Pilot (3 weeks): Over 400 individual rides, 100+ sign-ups, 5 individual rides from downtown, 20 rides to University Village. An email will be sent to Bicycle Advisory Committee and Transportation to report on this. They are hoping to do a survey about PikeRide as well.
  - *SEAS (report from Nate)*
    - SEAS will meet every Wednesday @ 12 at Clyde's for the rest of the semester.
    - Re-writing mission statement and values
    - An interest in making new connections to the place (e.g. thinking about indigenous histories of Colorado Springs and campus)
    - Possibly money from GAF available to bolster SEAS, hold events, market the organization.
  - *GAF (report from Linda, Brandon Goldstein)*
    - 12 members this semester, with all officer roles filled; focus this semester has been on building the committee since many members graduated last spring
    - GAF members have signed on to ongoing GAF projects to check in on status of projects – Project Liaisons
    - GAF sent four students to AASHE
      - Brandon of GAF is working on a new project to set up posters on campus asking “What do we not talk about at UCCS?” A debriefing session will be held and moderated by MOSAIC staff.
  - *SWELL (report from Sean)*
    - Procurement limits challenge further incorporating local and ethically sourced food with complete transparency. A process has been initiated with PSC to determine strategies.
      - Difficult for Event Services to create new menus, etc.

- Students (and faculty/staff) will be instrumental in making changes happen re: catering, event services
- Grain School coming up in January – currently at 35 registrants – open public forum is Saturday, January 18 – entire agenda is available on the registration page for Cvent.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual UCCS Teaching and Learning Conference (10 minutes)**
  - Suzanne Cook suggested that we “could we make a proposal for a session at the UCCS Teaching and Learning Conference on including sustainability in our courses. Given the session themes (a little restrictive), we could focus on “Teaching and Learning Outside the Classroom” - not perfect but it would be a chance to share ideas for field trips and speakers from the community? It’s another chance to keep sustainability on the radar and in the conversation. We could encourage faculty teaching a Compass sustainability course to participate.” Linda Kogan said she was willing to coordinate this. January 15-16, 2020. Deadline for submission is due Nov. 15. Linda and Suzanne will work to turn something in.
- **Sustainability Summit (10 minutes)**
  - Sustainability Summit – Joel is going to present for the committee. Will discuss sustainability strategic plan and also the need for sustainability to be incorporated into the campus strategic plan.
  - Campus Master Plan – new plan is being developed. Committee should ask to be a part of the committee. We might want to ask the committee chair and the consultant to meet with Sustainability Committee. Possibly go through Faculty Assembly.
  - All campuses reported to regents on sustainability. Given about 4 weeks to develop system goals for strategic plan by President Kennedy.
- **Sustainability Strategic Planning (45 minutes)**

○ Brainstorming Session Results

Reviewed the notes. Amy Wanak added some additional information.

○ What are our next steps?

Joel presented the 4 core strategies that can go into the Sustainability Strategic Plan 2020-2030. Get agreement from everyone (committee, administration, etc.) and then keep refining it. Model after the overall strategic plan, (core strategies, outcomes, measures of success, initiatives).

**DRAFT OF 4 CORE STRATEGIES:**

- Foster a culture of sustainability at UCCS and beyond.
- Cultivate excellence in research and teaching related to sustainability.
- Model sustainability, efficiency, and innovation in our campus operations and facilities.
- Engage UCCS students, faculty, and staff, and members of the Colorado Springs community with events and programming related to sustainability.

Form five working groups to tackle the planning

- ✓ Stakeholder support - Joel

- ✓ Culture (leadership/planning & administration) - Linda
- ✓ Education and Research - Christine
- ✓ Operations – Linda & Amy
- ✓ Engagement – Kimberly and Margo (student)

Need the committee to review the 4 core strategies and provide feedback. Will also have input at Sustainability Summit.

Joel will put out a document with the strategies for everyone to comment on.

- **Signing up for free AASHE access (The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education) (5 minutes)**
  - Attached document provides signup instruction

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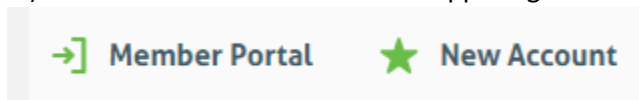
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