Sustainability Committee

Meeting Minutes April 24th, 2017

Attendance: David Havlick, Nancy Moore, Cynthia Norton, Carole Huber, Tom Huber, Linda Kogan, Kevin Gilford, Kimberly Reeves, Joel Tonyan, George Cheney, Nanna Meyer

- 1) Updates
 - a. Chancellor interviews were held with a good representation of the committee
 - b. Awards April 26, 4-6pm Berger Hall: Molly Mulligan from the Library, won this year's award
 - c. CSA shares through AVOG have been confirmed with UCCS pick up (Every Fridays at Lane Center with the Flying Carrot, 3.30-5.30pm; contact Nanna Meyer if interested)
 - d. Tuesday UCCS Farm stand at UC is confirmed, starts June 13th and goes to August 15th, from 11 AM 1PM with Flying Carrot Food Literacy
 - e. Communication strategy
 - i. Deans' council visit Sept 6th for breakfast is being discussed to continue with the communication strategy for sustainability commitments on campus
 - ii. Ambassadors visit (Sept) as well as counselor retreat (summer: Nancy contact Nanna for farmhouse summer visit)
 - iii. New faculty orientation presents some opportunities to integrate a sustainability table with resources at the library's reception
 - iv. Sustainability Office working on getting students' free metro transit passes with various internal funding requests (contact Linda for more information)
- 2) 2018: Sustainability Office continued workshop 2 with strategic planning and preview to get engaged with working groups, prioritizing areas of interest/focus for the next academic year and the committee's work
 - a. Some things to keep in mind...
 - i. Educational initiatives need to be focused on recruitment and retention
 - ii. Measureable outcomes? See apps.
 - Working groups may centered around faculty, students, resource website, and operations or may be driven by specific projects and or areas. TBD. Below are areas that were discussed:
 - 1. Faculty Focused (George?)
 - a. Organize a sustainability meet and greet/open house
 - b. Educational outreach (at orientation or in semester 1)
 - c. Sustainability clearing house, resource communication, representation at key events
 - d. Capturing sustainability research and awards, coursework
 - 2. Student Focused
 - a. Outreach to counselors, ambassadors, freshmen (student recruitment/retention)

- Sustainable development minor (can health sci be linked to this?), green sashes at graduation should enhance visibility
- c. Sustainability literacy assessment; Lynn Calhoun, David Weiss, Steve Jennings (Dave will follow up)
- d. Applied learning activities
- e. Jobs & careers in sustainability, Quads program?
- f. Freshmen survey; sustainability a factor for enrollment? Joel follow up.
- 3. Sustainability Website (resource page; Joel?)
- 4. Integration of sustainability into University's vision and/or core values.