



SOUTH SEATTLE
COLLEGE

Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: November 4, 2019

OPERATIONAL BUSINESS

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| Topic: | Attendance | | |
| Members Present: | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joyce Allen <input type="checkbox"/> Algie Au <input type="checkbox"/> Erin Barzen <input type="checkbox"/> Shane Brookman <input type="checkbox"/> Afrah Agraw <input type="checkbox"/> Abigail Daane <input type="checkbox"/> Regina Daigneault <input type="checkbox"/> Matthew Dimeo | <input type="checkbox"/> Eliza Duarte <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hannah Fitchett <input type="checkbox"/> Heather Foss <input type="checkbox"/> Phyllis Gorton <input type="checkbox"/> Karen Herndon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janet Kapp <input type="checkbox"/> Kali Kuwada <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monia Hamam <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Larry Graff | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adam Maurer <input type="checkbox"/> Nashaat Nashed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alison Pugh <input type="checkbox"/> Destin Redeker <input type="checkbox"/> Elizabeth Schoene <input type="checkbox"/> Tim Walsh <input type="checkbox"/> Monica Lundberg <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Abercrombie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jessica Espy |
| Meetings Type: | <input type="checkbox"/> Conference Call | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Person: Cascade Hall 101 | |
| Guests: | none | | |

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| Topic: | Call to Order |
| Discussion: | Hannah F. kicked the meeting off around 3pm |

UPDATES

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| Topic: | Introductions | | |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We welcomed a couple new people to the committee. Larry Graff is the new Operations Manager at South and Jessica Espy is a student at South | | |
| Action: | none | | |
| Referred to: | N/A | | |
| Status: | <input type="checkbox"/> Open | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Closed | <input type="checkbox"/> Tabled |

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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| Topic: | EcoChallenge 2019 | | |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> South is competing in Campus EcoChallenge 2019 Competition dates: October 28 - November 15 It's a 3-week friendly online competition where individuals change behavior and commit to sustainability-related events and such. This is week 2: Food and Food Systems Next week is Waste. SPU is having a table in the cafeteria and we will have Trash Talkers helping people properly sort their waste | | |
| Action: | 1. Attend Jane Harness' class on Tuesday | | |
| Referred to: | 1. Hannah | | |
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| Topic: | Trash Talker events | | |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We plan to continue Trash Talker events this year. Trash Talkers are volunteers who stand near waste stations and help people properly sort their waste Next Trash Talker event is Weds. Nov 13 during week 3: Waste of Campus EcoChallenge What other events would benefit from Trash Talkers and compost bins? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faculty Development Days (next one is Feb. 6th) Winter Party Other large catered events | | |
| Action: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Recruit volunteers for Trash Talkers on Nov. 13 Make calendar of Trash Talker events Contact Wendy Nagasawa about Trash Talkers during South's Winter Party Contact Abby for Trash Talkers at FDD Feb. 6th | | |
| Referred to: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Hannah Afrah and Hannah Adam M. Steve A. | | |
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| Topic: | Sustainability into student orientation | | |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monia and Adam are meeting with International Programs on how to incorporate sustainability into their orientation. Sustainability has already been given 30 minutes in the next orientation session | | |
| Action: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Create presentation or workshop for international student orientation | | |
| Referred to: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Monia and Adam | | |
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| Topic: | Improve waste infrastructure | | |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Several very large recycling bins in the JMB hall (near IT and Andrew Swanson). No corresponding garbage bins. Encourages contamination. Needs further analysis. Currently the custodians remove garbage from individual rooms, but recycling is collected from centralized locations There are not any garbage or recycling bins in classrooms in CAH. Centralized waste stations were established in strategic locations throughout the building. Are there other buildings that would benefit from a similar strategy? This could help reduce the number of bins and cost of bags that custodial staff is responsible for Larry G. is concerned about the cost of the compost liners and labor needed if more compost containers are introduced on campus. | | |
| Action: | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Needs assessment of JMB interior hallway Survey Olympic Hall and University Hall for current waste infrastructure and its usage | | |



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| | 3. Talk with CAH staff about waste infrastructure. Is it successful? | | |
| Referred to: | 1. Adam M. 2. Adam M. to create survey methodology and tracking 3. Adam M. | | |
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| Topic: | Earth Day 2020 (50 th Anniversary) | | |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will need to start planning for Earth Day at our next meeting | | |
| Action: | none | | |
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| Topic: | WOHESC conference | | |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hosted by University of Oregon, March 2-4 Every year we take faculty, staff, and students to the Washington Oregon Higher Education Sustainability conference. Let Adam know if you are interested in going. | | |
| Action: | 1. Do not need to commit, but we need to start making a plan for funding, transportation, etc. Please let Adam know if you are interested in attending. We will need to secure funding in the next couple months | | |
| Referred to: | 1. Everyone | | |
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| Topic: | Quarterly Newsletter | | |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We started a quarterly newsletter consistently last year. We plan to publish one this fall and spring. The newsletter goes out to faculty and staff via email. We have several topics for this fall's newsletter, but are accepting additional ideas and stories. | | |
| Action: | 1. none | | |
| Referred to: | 1. n/a | | |
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| Topic: | Board of Trustees presentation | | |
| Discussion: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adam will be presenting to the Board of Trustees on Nov. 13. First sustainability-focused BOT presentation since 2016. | | |



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation will focus on student interest in sustainability, utility costs and rate increases, mandates and reporting, and getting support for a district-wide Climate Action Plan. | | |
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| Topic: | Closing & Adjournment |
| Discussion: | The committee concluded discussion at approx. 4:10pm |
| Next Meeting: | The next meeting will be the Monday December 2 |