



**PRESIDENT'S
SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY**

Minutes

September 17th, 2018, 1:00-2:30 pm

Members Present: Carol Dollard – Facilities Management – Co-Chair of PSC
Tonie Miyamoto - HDS, Student Affairs – Co-Chair of PSC
Stacey Baumgarn – Classified Personnel Council
Tim Broderick – Housing & Dining Services
Travis Croft – Facilities Management
Sheela Backen – Facilities Management
Doug Max - Athletics
Ashley Carlisle – STARS Intern
Gina McCrackin – ASCSU Environmental Affairs
Oliva Bruce – Student Sustainability Center
Jake Drenth – Surplus Property
Andrew Warnock – College of Natural Sciences Education and Outreach
Tony Rappe – College of Natural Sciences
Stephanie Malin– College of Liberal Arts
Jocelyn Hittle – CSU System
Bill Timpson – College of Health and Human Sciences
Aleta Weller – SoGES
Nicole Johnson - College of Business, Global Social & Sustainable Enterprise
Dan McGrath – Warner College of Natural Resources
Aaron Fodge – Parking and transportation Services
Monica Latham – Morgan Library
Rick Novak – Administrative Professional Council
Sheela Backen – Facilities Management
Asha LaTray - EcoLeader

1. Campus Sustainability Month

- a. October is Campus Sustainability Month and AASHE is offering resources relating to the theme of “Nonpartisan Engagement and the November Elections”.
- b. Becca sent the email from AASHE with specific resource information to the PSC earlier this month.
- c. Carol will send information from AASHE to Olivia and Gina for collaboration with student voting services.
- d. CSU can participate in the Campus Sustainability Month activities but will not advocate for a political position or candidate.

2. Follow-Up on Strategic Plan Updates

- a. Tonie asked the PSC to finalize edits and updates from the summer retreat to the Strategic Plan by the October PSC meeting (10/15/18).
- b. Send edits to Becca.Mueller@colostate.edu

3. AASHE Conference – October 2-4

- a. Carol, Tim, Stacey, and Tonie are all attending the AASHE Conference in Pittsburg in October.
- b. Maggie and other students will also be traveling to the conference and will present about the Zero Waste Team.

- c. Carol and Stacey are presenting along with a staff member from DU.
- d. The updated version of STARS, 2.2, will be released at the conference.
- e. Tonie suggested a plan of completing the STARS 2.2 report by fall of 2019 to meet the University's February 2020 deadline.

4. Save the Date for Earth Week 2019: April 22-26

- a. Tonie asked the PSC of any conflicts during the week of April 22-26. This is the proposed date for Earth Week 2019.
- b. Earth Day is Monday, April 22nd.
- c. Let Tonie know if you have concerns with this timeframe.

5. Renewable Electricity RFP Update

- a. Carol gave a brief update about the renewable electricity RFP.
- b. The FY18 Greenhouse Gas (GHG) footprint is not complete yet but electricity is approximately 50-55% of footprint. Projects stemming from the renewable electricity RFP would eliminate this piece of the GHG footprint.
- c. There is a lot of interest from private industry in partnering to develop projects relating to this initiative.
- d. Carol and others are working with the City of Fort Collins Utilities to develop a green tariff to make the projects possible. On October 2nd, City of Fort Collins City Council will hear the first reading of a 100% renewable energy resolution, which aligns well with CSU's goals.
 - i. Citizen comments are accepted at the City Council meeting. If you cannot attend the meeting but would still like to provide a comment, contact your City Council member via [email](#).

6. Declaring on University Global Engagement

- a. Tonie and Carol recently came across a [Declaration on University Engagement](#) from the American Public Land Grant University's listserv.
- b. The initiative encourages a philosophical agreement about global engagement for students. The initiative highlights a series of action Universities can take to being globally engaged, including –
 - i. Developing the global competence of all students so they have the skills to productively engage with individuals from different cultural and national backgrounds.
 - ii. Increasing our students' understanding of the most pressing economic, social, and environmental challenges facing the world today.
 - iii. Significantly increasing student physical and virtual mobility across nations so that many more of our students experience realities outside their domestic contexts and deepen their understanding of challenges and opportunities in other parts of the world.
 - iv. Committing to cross-border and cross-sector research, knowledge sharing, and innovation in collaboration with our public and private stakeholders in pursuit of novel solutions to the SDGs.
 - v. Communicating publicly about the progress and importance of our global engagement.
- c. The University is already in alignment with many of these actions.
- d. Several peer institutions have signed this agreement and Tonie and Carol asked the PSC to consider if CSU should also sign.
- e. Let Tonie and Carol know of major concerns by Friday, 9/21. Otherwise, they will recommend that President Frank signs the agreement for CSU.

7. Updates from Members

Asha LaTray – [The Green Warrior campaign](#) has started and runs until November 11th. The EcoLeaders are working on student engagement methods to increase participation in the program.

Aaron Fodge – The Master Plan Committee reviewed a proposed standard and maps for lactation rooms across campus. The maps indicate where needed lactation rooms are. The Master Plan approved the standard and Aaron will also seek their approval of standards and maps for breakrooms, commuter showers, and meditation rooms.

Gina McCrackin – Gina is working on a proposal to install Dyson Airblades in the Library and is seeking feedback from the LSC, which has Airblades in restrooms. Gina is also working with a textile recycler to incentivize Reusing textiles with who gives a scrap and how to incentivize a collaboration. Zero Waste Symposium funding.

Travis Croft – The finalized Greenhouse Gas footprint will be shared with the PSC soon.

Monica Latham – The Library will host several [Brown Bag Lunch & Learn](#) events throughout the fall.

Stacey Baumgarn – CSU has recently received notification of LEED certifications for Chemistry Research as LEED Platinum and Biology as LEED Gold. Five more buildings are pending final LEED certifications and Stacey will share those updates as they are available.

Tim Broderick – The Green Warrior campaign is largest 8-week engagement campaign HDS has. The program is in its 8th year and is now accessible on mobile devices and participants can now select to plant trees instead of a physical prize. Last year, the campaign engaged one in every three students and this year's goal is to engage one of every two students. Kirstie Tedrick has accepted the Sustainability Coordinator position and she will start soon.

Olivia Bruce – The Student Sustainability Center will be going to the recycling center next Monday at 5:30 pm. And, SCC is now hosting sustainable bike tours across campus.

Rick Novak – APC Communicated about green initiatives can send messages to list serv. Get more engaged with sustainability initiatives on campus.

Jocelyn Hittle – Resources like water and energy for the Water Building at the National Western Center are being analyzed. An energy partner has been selected to build infrastructure at the site. Innovative energy initiatives like heat recovery off of waste water pipes will be implemented.

Stephanie Malin – Stephanie is working with faculty and staff from Sociology and Political Science to develop a Center for Environmental Justice on-campus. They have been meeting with Deans and other leaders on campus to garner support for the Center and all eight colleges have expressed interest. Hopefully, by the end of the year, the Center will be established.

Bill Timpson – Bill has a professional contact who works in green endowments. It was recommended that the contact connect with Lynn Johnson.

Ashley Carlisle – Ashely is training on website platforms and will soon be able to update the green.coloste.edu website.

Carol Dollard – Facilities Management will soon undergo a fleet assessment to determine if older, less used and less efficient vehicles can be retired.

Tonie Miyamoto – The beehives at the Durrell Center are actively producing honey, which is atypical for bees in their first year of establishment. A gallon of honey was harvested recently and will be served at the Colorado Harvest event on September 26th in the Durrell Center.

Next Meeting – Monday, October 15th, 2018 – 1:00-2:30 pm in TILT 104