

UA Sustainability Council Minutes
Arkansas Union 507
Tuesday September 13th, 2016
3:30-5:00



Minutes

1. Call to order
 - a. Eric Boles called the meeting to order at 3:30 Pm
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. No changes were made to the minutes from the last meeting.
3. Approval of Agenda
 - a. No changes were made to the agenda for the current meeting.
4. Co-chair updates
 - a. Executive Director, Office for Sustainability
 - i. Marty Matlock was unable to attend today's meeting.
 - b. Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities
 - i. Mike Johnson was unable to attend today's meeting.
 - c. Introduce ASG Representative
 - i. Wesley Prewett was appointed the ASG sustainability director on September 12th due to a sudden vacancy. He is a senior in the Walton College of Business.
5. Game Day Challenge
 - a. Athletics, Boston Mountain Solid Waste District, and the OFS are collaborating again this year on the EPA GameDay Challenge recycling competition. This is a national competition to divert waste during home college football games. The U of A placed first in the SEC in diversion rate in 2013 and 2014 but dropped to third in 2015.
6. Bicycle Advocacy Committee
 - a. The newly-formed Bicycle Advocacy Committee had its first meeting about three weeks ago. If you would like to be on the committee, please email Eric Boles or Jon Johnson.
 - b. The committee's mission is to improve cycling infrastructure and experience on campus.
 - c. The OFS has submitted a new Bicycle Friendly University application through the League of American Bicyclists
 - i. We will find out in late October whether we have achieved our goal of Bronze status.
 - d. The OFS is collaborating with UREC Outdoors to host the third annual Bike Fest in October. The event will be held Wednesday, October 5 from 11-2 on McIlroy Avenue. We will be giving away at least one commuter bike and other accessories and a number of local vendors and campus entities will be present to engage with students. Please distribute the attached flyer to your units as you see fit.

7. Pollinator Committee
 - a. This committee has been formed with the mission to improve pollinator health on campus and to seek recognition as a Bee Campus USA through Southern Oregon University.
 - b. Planting List Review
 - i. The committee is reviewing the current draft of the new campus Landscape Design Manual for harmful invasive plants and beneficial native plants.
8. Workgroup Updates
 - a. Managed Systems
 - i. There is a Green Revolving Fund application pending review by the Managed Systems Workgroup.
 - ii. The workgroup has one co-chair currently, Stephen Ritterbush, but needs another.
 1. Kelly Bostick volunteered to fill the vacant co-chair position on the managed systems workgroup.
9. Good-of-the-Order
 - a. As part of the Solid Waste Reduction, Diversion, and Recycling Master Plan: the City of Fayetteville is exploring ways to divert construction and demolition waste from the landfill; they just finished their food waste composting pilot in partnership with Chartwells and this is moving forward starting with food service and restaurants, to be implemented on a residential level in the future; finally, the city is working to expand on-site recycling into more apartment complexes.
 - b. The Freight Farm in the upcycled shipping container will have its first harvest on September 22nd. Chartwells is hoping to provide leaf lettuce from the Freight Farm to at least one dining hall on campus.
 - c. As of today Chartwells has a plan in place to implement full recycling of their #10 cans starting in October.
 - d. At uapl.uark.edu/ion, the current energy use of the campus can be viewed in real time. SWEPCO is now shifting focus from solar to wind and has put out an RFP that has been approved in the Louisiana jurisdiction but is still pending in the Arkansas jurisdiction. This would result in a wind farm probably in Oklahoma or Kansas that would feed into the grid. They are still looking at an up to 1 megawatt “petting zoo” solar installation at the Research and Technology Park.
10. UASC Scheduled Meetings
 - a. December 13, 2016, 3:30-5:00 Pm, ARKU 503
11. Adjourn
 - a. The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 Pm.