

UA Sustainability Council || Agenda

Nov 14, 2023

Tuesday

3:00-4:30PM

UREL Conference Room and MS Teams



1. Co-chair updates
 - a. Associate Vice Chancellor, Facilities Management, Scott Turley
 - i. FAMA recently purchased a new recycling truck for Razorback Recycling
 - ii. Have had meetings with University of Texas Dallas about their robotic mowers and could be interested in setting up a demo at the UA
 - b. Director of Sustainability Academic Programs, Ken McCown
 - i. The masters of environmental resilience online has been approved
 - ii. Sustainability minor has 100 students enrolled, but Graduate Certificate for Sustainability is struggling with enrollment.
 - c. ASG Sustainability Director, Amelia Southern Uribe
2. UA Solar Service Agreements (Scott Turley + Eric Boles)
 - a. UA system is continuing to pursue a large-scale solar project that would be approximately 74mW.
 - b. Because of new legislature, there is a September deadline to get this solar project under contract.
3. Introducing Emma Armendariz, the UA's new Active Transportation Coordinator
 - a. UA graduate and Fayetteville native, excited to get mobility projects going on campus to help the UA community have better access to alternative transportation.
 - b. She will be leading the Bicycle Advocacy council which meets quarterly.
4. Bicycle Friendly University Gold (Eric Boles)
 - a. OFS recently resubmitted our Bicycle Friendly University application and we remain Gold status, only two other SEC schools have gold status.
5. 2024 UA Green Careers Fair (Eric Boles)
 - a. Unfortunately, the Green Career fair has been cancelled this year. This was the UA's first attempt. There was a lot of interest from companies, but not a lot of follow through with positions currently available.

- b. At this time, the career fair folks are going to try to create a “green job indicator” that can be deployed to help students identify green jobs within other campus career fairs.
- 6. Cruise to Campus Wednesday (Eric Boles)
 - a. Cruise to campus has been a big success and we hope to build on that success in 2024. It is a way for commuters to meet other commuters, have a free breakfast provided by onyx, and also have group rides to campus on the first Wednesday of the month during the semester.
 - b. Please feel free to join us in 2024—the dates are Feb 7, Mar 6, Apr 3, and May 1. All are from 7:30-10am. We hope to see you there!
- 7. 2023 E-scooter data update (Eric Boles)
 - a. Escooter companies have been successfully operating on campus and in Fayetteville since 2018.
 - b. Veo’s fleet now has 850 e-scooters and Spin has 500 e-scooters and 100 e-bikes.
 - c. Veo and Spin both offer discounted pricing for low-income individuals that most students qualify for.
 - d. Slow zones and forced parking via scooter corrals on campus have helped alleviate any conflicts and has been very successful.
 - e. The average e-scooter ride is about 2 miles, which is most likely replacing car trips, and 30% of all rides are on the UA campus.
- 8. Good-of-the-Order
- 9. Next meeting is February 13th, 2023