

University Sustainability Committee
Minutes 5-1-18
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM
President's Conference Room
Holloway Hall 248

Attendees:

Eric Berkheimer
Lisa Tossey
Erik Gaskill
Crystal Kelly

Julia Lavarias
Jessica Hennen
Jeff Canada
Dave Gutoskey

Danny Ervin
Gaylord Robb
Brian Waller
Wayne Shelton

1. Welcome
 - a. Introductions
2. Updates
 - a. Climate Resilience Initiative progress and next steps
 - i. Committee identified, SU and community members
 - ii. Resilience Plan will:
 1. Provide a baseline of resilience activities on campus and community
 2. Develop initial indicators of resilience through a multi-stakeholder process
 3. Identify current vulnerabilities related to climate change
 - iii. Five areas to be addressed by Resilience Plan:
 1. Infrastructure
 2. Economic
 3. Social Equity & Governance
 4. Health & Wellness
 5. Economic Services
 - iv. Resilience plan document has been initiated using available information
 - v. Committee will discuss and add or change plan as needed
 - b. Green Fund Update – summary
 - i. Seven projects in fall, six in spring
 - ii. \$86K spent in FY18
 - iii. \$26K pending expenditures
 - iv. Approximately \$31K carryover to FY19
 - v. Budget in FY19 will be approximately \$225K
 - c. Spin Bike share – (<https://www.spin.pm/>) Activity
 - i. April data
 1. 6700 rides since inception
 2. 3100 rides in April
 3. 1000 riders
 4. 5300 miles this year
 5. 2300 miles this month

- ii. Spin donated 10 new bike helmets to Library
 - iii. Library will manage loan program for the helmets
 - d. Carbon Emissions update
 - i. Comparison to other institutions favorable
- 3. Student Government Association update
 - a. Julia will be stepping down from SGA at the end of this semester
 - b. Jessica will take on that role for the Green Fund, Sustainability Committee and other initiatives. Welcome Jessica! Jessica expressed an interest in helping SU achieve a “Bee Campus” designation next year.
 - c. Earth Week has grown to a month-long series of events
 - i. On April 30th there was an emphasis on bees with bee box building, marigold planting, bee club information, and a giveaway of lollipops with sticks that have seeds in them and are designed to be planted.
 - ii. Recycle Madness generated nearly 6000 lbs. of recyclable materials
 - d. Graduate Student
- 4. University Academic Sustainability Committee (U-ASC) update – no report
- 5. Open discussion
 - a. The service of Julia and Erik to both the Green Fund committee and the USC are greatly appreciated and we wish them well!

Powerpoint information shared via email to committee.