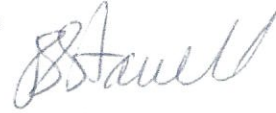


University Sustainability Committee

February 27, 2018



Members Present: Dr. Krista Harrell, Dr. John Cleary, Victor Cohen, William Guess, Dr. Doug Marshall, Cecelia Martin, Martin, Diana Nichols, Dr. Stephanie Smallegan, Grace Newcombe (for Carl Thomas, SGA)

Members Absent: Dr. Glen Borchert, Todd Culp, Brad Sanders

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. by Dr. Krista Harrell.

Old Business:

1. The minutes for the 1/18/2018 meeting were approved.
2. Bike Share Program Update: Dr. Harrell reported. The University is moving forward with the partnership with LimeBike. The MOU is being reviewed by in the Attorney's Office. This partnership is no cost to the University. LimeBike employees will be responsible for all the maintenance for the bikes. The City of Mobile is also partnering with LimeBike and will be promoting and installing safer bike lanes. Promotions for LimeBike will start as soon as the MOU has been approved.
3. Daily Digest Updates: If you have something that you want submitted to the Digest, please email Dr. Krista Harrell by the 1st of each month.
4. Mission/Purpose: Cecelia Martin reported. A draft of the Mission Statement was shared with committee as well as an example of a Mission Statement from Muhlenberg College. Cecelia is asking the committee to review the mission statements and send all feedback to her.
5. Old Business: William Guess reported. Regarding the cardboard baler, Dr. Smith has given a verbal commitment to fund the installation for a cardboard baler with the understanding that the initial revenue will be returned to offset this expense. Afterwards, an account will be set up for the revenue to be used to fund the Sustainability. He also reported plans for a wildflower garden near the Glen Sebastian Trails.

New Business:

1. AASHE Awards: Dr. Harrell has provided the following link, www.aashe.org/get-involved/awards, and is asking the committee for suggestions for submission for the AASHE awards. Dr. Harrell would like to have all recommendations by the end of April.
2. Open Floor: Dr. Harrell would like to start planning now for recycling efforts for the upcoming football season.

Plans for April: April 7th is a Campus Cleanup Day; Walking Wednesday (to promote the new walking paths); Science Day, April 14th, Downtown Mobile in Bienville Square.

Diana Nichols suggested that once the Mission Statement is complete that it is used to market and promote the focus of the committee.

Maria McElyea expressed her frustration regarding access to the community garden. She is concerned that student interest will continue to diminish. She appreciates the support that she has received but without access to the garden she does not know how to proceed. Dr. Harrell

feels that decisions need to be made regarding long-time plans for the garden. She is encouraging the committee to come together and help support all activities, including the community garden. Dr. Harrell is asking Maria to meet with the Student Sustainability Committee and get a few suggestions about what the students want to accomplish and bring those suggestions to this committee for review.

3. Parking Lot Items: Maria McElyea inquired if the Grove can be added to the recycling program. The committee was reminded that individuals are welcome to bring their personal recycling to individual buildings, please do not take it to the Recycle Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 pm.

Dr. Krista Harrell, Associate Dean of Students

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