



Sustainability Committee Minutes

2016-2017:3 Friday, November 4, 2016, 3:00 – 5:00PM, BSC, 1st Floor, ASI Senate Chambers Conference Room

I. Preliminaries

- A) Call to Order at 3:09pm
- B) Quorum Check

Voting Members:

- _X_ Jessica Shahad, ASI Secretary of Sustainability, Chair
- _ Joshua Klockmann, ASI President or Designee **Excused Absence**
- _ Vacant, Senator
- _ Michael Burckhardt, ASI Senator at Large, Interhall Council **Excused Absence**
- _X_ Johana Venegas, ASI BEAT Chair
- _X_ Nicholas Chambers, Student-at-Large
- _X_ Megan Mech, Student-at-Large

Advisors:

- _X_ Barnaby Peake, Director of the Bronco Student Center
- _X_ Monika Kamboures, University Sustainability Coordinator

- C) Approval of Minutes
 - 1) There were no minutes to approve
- D) Agenda Changes
 - 1) There were no agenda changes
- E) Introduction of Guests
 - 1) Emily Creegan, Graduate - Agriculture Sciences
- F) Reports
 - 1) ASI Secretary of Sustainability, Chair – Jessica Shahad
 - a) Greenovation
 - i. Sustainability Committee is discussing the possibility of applying for the fund
 - ii. Template of email completed to send out to all colleges about applying
 - b) Utilization of TGIF
 - i. Sustainability Committee will be voting on approving its first acceptance or declination of a solar panel by the Electrical engineering club
 - ii. Scheduled a meeting with MDPR to market TGIF by the end of Fall quarter to have somewhat of a design for flyers/ posters
 - c) Composting
 - i. Met with Barny and we figured out how to test the feasibility of composting. We would need everyone's help in terms of picking a day to dig through trash during lunch time optimally and see how much trash is generated in a specific meal period. After that, based on the price we would be able to present to government if it will be possible to implementing composting in the BSC
 - ii. Met with Barny about discussing having more greens inside the BSC such as plants/vines draped on walls as well as the ceilings if possible
 - iii. Meeting with Janet and Krista at the BRIC to discuss their composting strategies at the Jamba Juice in the BRIC
 - d) Other (goals/subjects not assigned to you by ASI President)
 - i. Broken Sprinklers (Google Response Form)
 - ii. Alternative Transportation Committee
 - a. Went to the first meeting and will be attending the Alternative Transportation Conference this Friday morning
 - b. Goal of the committee this year is to make a partnership with Foothill transit in order for students to have a bus pass

- G) Open Forum
 - 1) There were no speakers

II. Action Item

- A) Solar Tracking Group
 - 1) Johana motioned to table Action Item A. Solar Tracking Group, Nick seconded. Motion carried by chair.

III. Discussion Item

- A) Sustainability projects for the upcoming year
 - 1) Jessica suggested testing the soil and water in the duck pond on campus.
 - a) She noted her goal for this year is to educate students about sustainability and set realistic goals for all projects.
- B) Cigarette Buds on campus (i.e. College of Business)
 - 1) Jessica noted she would go to the College of Business and research the issue that was brought to her attention regarding cigarette buds.
- C) Next Quarter's Schedule
 - 1) Jessica asked committee members to send her an e-mail of winter quarter classes once they are registered.

IV. Information Item

- A) Greenovation Fund
 - 1) Jessica shared a Prezi presentation with the committee explaining the Greenovation Fund.
 - a) She discussed different projects, the application process, deadlines, and previous presentations.
 - b) Jessica noted each club and organization can apply for \$15,000 per project.
- B) Composting
 - 1) Emily Creegan discussed composting at Starbucks on campus. She shared Nick and her have been meeting with Aaron Neilson and discussing waste ideas. She provided a brief description of her educational background. Emily shared ideas about education on organic waste to decrease climate change and water absorption and connecting with permitted compost waste facilities. She continued with pre-consumer waste education and so that programs are successful. Discussed implementing compostable Starbucks cups on campus to provide a benefit to the planet and community. She stated that she would like to assist the committee in any way that she can.
 - a) Jessica stated that the BSC is interested in conducting a post-consumer study of trash within the building.
- C) TGIF Marketing
 - 1) Discussion did not take place

V. Adjournment

- A) Megan motioned to adjourn the meeting, Johana seconded. Motion carried by chair.
- B) Meeting was adjourned at 3:58pm
- C) Next Sustainability Committee Meeting: Friday November 18, 2016, 3:00-5:00PM, BSC, England Evans