



Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: December 2, 2019

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Topic:	Attendance		
Members Present:	<input type="checkbox"/> Joyce Allen <input type="checkbox"/> Algie Au <input type="checkbox"/> Erin Barzen <input type="checkbox"/> Shane Brookman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Afrah Agraw <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abigail Daane <input type="checkbox"/> Regina Daigneault <input type="checkbox"/> Matthew Dimeo	<input type="checkbox"/> Eliza Duarte <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hannah Fitchett <input type="checkbox"/> Heather Foss <input type="checkbox"/> Phyllis Gorton <input type="checkbox"/> Karen Herndon <input type="checkbox"/> Janet Kapp <input type="checkbox"/> Kali Kuwada <input type="checkbox"/> Monia Hamam <input type="checkbox"/> Larry Graff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adam Maurer <input type="checkbox"/> Nashaat Nashed <input type="checkbox"/> Alison Pugh <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Destin Redeker <input type="checkbox"/> Elizabeth Schoene <input type="checkbox"/> Tim Walsh <input type="checkbox"/> Monica Lundberg <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Abercrombie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jessica Espy
Meetings Type:	<input type="checkbox"/> Conference Call	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Person: Cascade Hall 101	
Guests:	Julio from USA		

Topic:	Call to Order
Discussion:	Adam M. kicked the meeting off around 3:07pm

UPDATES

Topic:	Introductions		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Julio from USA joined the committee for the first time. Several faculty members who usually participate had a conflict with the World Vision Day 2020 meeting. Adam will follow up with that group to discuss possible collaborations. 		
Action:	None		
Referred to:	N/A		
Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Open	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Closed	<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Topic:	World Vision Day
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Vision Day is scheduled for 02/02/2020 (i.e. palindrome). Adam read the mission statement to the group. A group of faculty are organizing programming around this day, focusing a lot on topics related to sustainability, including, climate change, social civility, carbon footprint, racial disparity, and others. Appears the faculty are interested in creating class projects around these various topics. These faculty are meeting at the same time the Sustainability Committee is meeting today. Adam is going to follow up with that group to discuss possible collaborations Faculty are interested in doing a session on World Vision Day during Faculty Development Day on Feb. 6th, but the time and exact focus of the session is TBD
Action:	Adam M. to meet with World Vision Day faculty

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Referred to:	Adam M.		
Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Open	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Closed	<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled

Topic:	Eco-awareness Forum		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Destin discussed his idea for a forum this winter quarter. He handed out a paper that outlined the event. • It includes three main topic areas and break out groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Climate change ○ Wildlife, ecosystems, and biodiversity (WEB) ○ Waste/pollution/resource consumption • Destin has reached out to several faculty members and a couple have shown support. They plan to bring their classes • Destin wants to schedule the event to match the availability of the faculty that have expressed interest. Some time in winter quarter. Possibly a week or two after World Vision Day. • Event will still be open to anyone interested. Geared toward students though • Destin needs help promoting the event. Can USA help with promotion, including posters and refreshments? 		
Action:	1. Destin to present forum proposal to USA tomorrow, 12/3		
Referred to:	1. Destin		
Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Open	<input type="checkbox"/> Closed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tabled

Topic:	EcoChallenge 2019		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South competed in its first EcoChallenge • Hannah is working on a guide to help better plan this event in the future. Need to plan more in advance and reach out to faculty the quarter before • Multiple faculty talked with their students, which helped increase participation. Other faculty were interested, but didn't have enough time to incorporate it. • A brief synopsis and stats were included in the Sustainability newsletter sent out last week 		
Action:	1. Create EcoChallenge guide		
Referred to:	1. Hannah		
Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open	<input type="checkbox"/> Closed	<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled

Topic:	Trash Talker events		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We plan to continue Trash Talker events this year. Trash Talkers are volunteers who stand near waste stations and help people properly sort their waste • Trash Talker during EcoChallenge was very successful. There is a lot of contamination of recycling and compost, so we need to continue this effort • Trash Talkers scheduled for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ December 4th – South Winter Party ○ January 2nd - International Student Orientation (noon-1pm) ○ January 14-15th – Food Court (11am-2pm) ○ Feb. 6th - Faculty Development Day (8-9am and noon-1pm) ○ March 11th – Food Court (11am-2pm) 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need volunteers for these events. Please consider volunteering for 30-60 minutes. Someone will send around a sign-up sheet closer to the date of each. • Jessica volunteered to help with the International Student Orientation on Jan. 2
Action:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create sign-up sheet for Trash Talker events 2. Recruit volunteers for Trash Talkers events
Referred to:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hannah 2. Everyone
Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open <input type="checkbox"/> Closed <input type="checkbox"/> Tabled

Topic:	Sustainability into student orientation		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adam will be giving a presentation to International Student Orientation on January 2nd • Trash Talkers will follow the presentation. We need people to help. 		
Action:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recruit volunteers for Trash Talkers on Jan. 2 		
Referred to:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Everyone 		
Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open <input type="checkbox"/> Closed <input type="checkbox"/> Tabled		

Topic:	Earth Day		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We continue to discuss possible events for Earth Day (April 22, 2020). This is the 50th Anniversary of the first Earth Day. • It would be nice to plan something fun on campus • Jessica mentioned restoration/conservation projects, like recent partnerships with Nature Conservancy and the Duwamish Green Belt. • Earth Day could attempt to build upon World Vision Day 2020 and Destin's Eco-awareness Forum 		
Action:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. None at this point 		
Referred to:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. N/A 		
Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Open <input type="checkbox"/> Closed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tabled		

Topic:	WOHESC conference		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hosted by University of Oregon, March 2-4 • Every year we take faculty, staff, and students to the Washington Oregon Higher Education Sustainability conference. • Students should let Afrah know if they are interested. Students will need to commit by late January. 		
Action:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. You do not need to commit right now, but we need to start making a plan for funding, transportation, etc. Faculty/staff should let Adam know if you are interested in attending. We will need to secure funding in the next couple months 		
Referred to:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Everyone 		
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Topic:	Quarterly Newsletter		
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We completed a fall 2019 newsletter and sent it out to faculty and staff 		



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	• Need to get it in the hands of students		
Action:	1. Post newsletter to Canvas page		
Referred to:	1. Adam M.		
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Topic:	Round the Table		
Discussion:	• Jessica is working with Sunrise Movement for a presentation in her art class tomorrow 12/3		
Action:	None		
Referred to:	N/A		
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Topic:	Closing & Adjournment		
Discussion:	The committee concluded discussion at approx. 4pm		
Next Meeting:	2 nd week of winter quarter. Day and time TBD		