College of San Mateo

Institutional Committee Bylaws and Information

Committee name:

College of San Mateo Sustainability as Social and Environmental Justice Committee

Purpose	 Please describe the committee's purpose (goals, mission, etc.) Foster greater awareness and understanding of the connection between sustainability and social and environmental justice Encourage engagement, exchange and activism at the Campus, District community levels
Functions	 How will the committee fulfill its purpose? Provide opportunities for collaboration on sustainability initiatives, events and projects, including all members of the campus community – faculty, staff, administrators and students, as well as the greater community Encourage and help facilitate professional development aimed at creating curriculum across disciplines that promotes sustainability and environmental justice Develop opportunities for students to enhance their educational experience by actively participating in service learning, internships and community involvement relating to sustainability Education Center
Recommends to	Where does the committee report? IPC
Chair selection	How is the chair (or co-chairs) selected? N/A Committee will be headed by a Steering Committee composed of Administration, Faculty, Staff, Student(s)
Membership Torm limits	Who is on the committee? Representatives from administration, faculty, classified staff, students; Director of Equity or other representative; other interested participants; number of committee members is flexible;
Term limits	College standard is two-year staggered terms
Staff	What, if any, staff support is there for the committee? None.
Quorum	What is the minimum number of members necessary for the group to meet? N/A
Brown Act	Must the committee comply with the rules of the Brown Act? No

Type of decision making	Robert's Rules of Order (voting) or consensus Consensus
Alignment with Accreditation Standards, Institutional Priorities, Board Policies, etc.	 What accreditation standards, college and district strategic priorities, Board policies, etc. does the committee align with? The mission and goals of the Sustainability Committee directly support the mission and strategic goals of CMS and the SMCCD. Support the academic, professional, and community goals of students interested in sustainability, climate change and environmental equity. (CSM SG1 "Supporting our Students' Aspirations) (CSM M & V Equity and Academic Statements) (SMCCD M1, M2, M3) (SMCCD SG1) (SMCCD Sustainability Values 1 & 4). Create safe spaces to discuss and understand the racial, gender, and class implications of environmental justice and environmental equity (CSM SG2 "Creating Equitable Opportunities for all of our Students) (CSM M & V Equity and Academic Statements) Support the academic interests of students, creating responsive curriculum, and creating synergies across campus while providing collaborative opportunities for students. (CSM SG3 "Committing to Progressive and Innovative Teaching and Learning) (CSM M & V Academic Statement) (SMCCD Sustainability Value 4). Broaden participation across campus and encourage student, staff, and faculty collaborations (CSM SG4: "Building on a Culture of Participation and Communication") (CSM M & V Governance Statement) (SMCCD M3). Build professional opportunities for students in fields related to climate change, sustainability, environmentalism, environmental justice, and strength community engagement. (CSM SG5: "Building on a Tradition of Service to the Community) (CSM M & V Community Statement) (SMCCD M4) (SMCCD SG2) (SMCCD
	Sources: <u>https://collegeofsanmateo.edu/prie/docs/EMP_Priorities_Final.pdf</u> <u>https://collegeofsanmateo.edu/statements/</u> <u>https://smccd.edu/strategicplan/index.php</u> <u>https://sites.google.com/my.smccd.edu/smcccdsustainability/home</u>

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