

College of San Mateo Sustainability Committee Meeting
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, August 23rd, 2017; 4:00-5:00 PM
Room 10-401

1. Welcome
2. 5 minutes of research
 - a. Drive slowly...dear abound
 - b. Eucalyptus suck up water → reduce mosquitos
 - c. Movie
 - d. Joe will visit Bleckinga in Sweden for a conference.
 - e. The garden is very overgrown
 - f. Mary shared experience in French Polynesia. People who live there are so closely connected to nature.
 - g. Are there things we can do to reduce the number of cigarette butts on campus. What do we do when we see littering in action?
3. Committee Work 2017-2018
 - a. Focus on curriculum and community engagement
4. Sub-Committees
 - a. Earth Day
 - i. Room is booked
 - ii. Budget proposed
 1. Asking for more because they are hoping to hire a coordinator
 - b. Curriculum
 - i. A word from Joe
 1. Sustainability plans developed 4 years ago
 2. Updates on plan forthcoming this semester
 3. District sustainability committee decided that it is best to focus on curriculum and outreach- Campus as a living laboratory
 4. Joe and Hillary and district are working to deal with nuts an bolts (carbon, transport, waste management)
 - ii. MakerSpace Grant
 1. Smaller grant than hoped...many projects may not happen.
 2. Lost funding for coordinator. Paul and Stephanie roach are faculty leads
 - iii. Waste audit part 2
 1. Jordan will conduct more research
 2. Bio 110 will do more waste audit work (3 labs)
 - iv. Biology 110/Digital Media Partnership (spring 18)
 - c. Child Development Center Veggie Garden
 - d. Collaboration between history and sustainability suggested by Mary
 - e. Sustainability Network

- i. Faculty will apply each semester to participate
 - ii. Connect to career services (internships)
 - iii. Try to give students a certificate around this pathway
 - iv. Marketing people willing to build website
 - v. Flex day series
 - f. Joe invited people to participate in process of revamping sustainability plan
- 5. How do the campuses compare?
 - a. Skyline- social justice
 - b. Cañada- curriculum path to transfer, sustainability in institutional planning.
- 6. ASCSM workshop attendance
 - a. Zero waste days once a semester. Give students Tupperware rather than disposable plates. Funding from student govt.
 - b. Joe offered help through connecting w/ auxillary services
 - c. Do this on earth day
 - d. Joe mentioned green events check-list
 - e. Hillary Mentioned raffle idea to encourage reuse of Tupperware, mugs
 - f. Ask food services about discounts for reusable plates Tupperware
- 7. Jose- better work communicating about committees to students.
 - a. Welcome week ASCSM
 - b. Get people connected through social media
 - c. ASCSM social media advertizing
- 8. Ellen expressed interest in collaboration around wildlife biology
- 9. Joe mentioned that it is important to bring in the social justice issues related to sustainability.
 - a. Food, transport, cost of living issues are extremely relevant.
 - b. Social and economic issues
- 10. ASCSM survey- transportation question. Shuttle. How many people would actually use it. Shuttle between campuses.
 - a. Joe offered to help with this. Trying to help get the research done.
 - b. Skyline has bart to campus shuttle.
- 11. Counseling and career fair October 2nd 10-noon. Contact Autumn Newman.
- 12. Student connections fair- put on by counseling and student life...end of September. It would be great to have a table.
- 13. Bee Campus USA
 - a. Re-certify in December
- 14. Somewhat tabled issues
 - a. Professional Development
 - b. Campus Outreach (PGE and eWaste)
 - c. Social Justice
 - i. The signs are ready! And they are beautiful!
 - ii. Jackhammers were used!
 - iii. Sustainability has partnered with HSI STEM to do a September event.
- 15. Plan Update for 2017-2018