

USC Sustainability Committee

06 March 2017 Meeting Notes

Present: Darren Ruddell (Chair), Ed Avol, Paul Adler, Josh Goldstein, Esther Margulies, Lessa Grunenfelder, Kelly Sanders, Andre Ouellette

On Phone: Jeremy Kagan, Dan Mazmanian

Called to Order @ 0834

Reports:

Naomi Martinez from Staff Assembly

1. Naomi Martinez gave an overview of the Staff Assembly's work on sustainability and safety.

Invited our Senate committee to participate in the Environmental Fair they are organizing. Darren and others will do UPC on 4.11 and Andre (with Darren) will do HSC 4.26

Also invited our committee to present our work at a Staff Assembly meeting (every 1st Thurs of the month): Darren will arrange

2. Minutes of previous meeting: approved

3. Update on USC Ssbly Steering committee -- Josh, Jeremy, Darren.

Some of the 7 subcommittees have made real progress. others not. Diagnosis of this evenness: lack of leadership and support for the work involved.

We should add something about this in these weaknesses in the 2030 proposal.

Our committee will send a proposal to Mark Ewalt that there should be an annual report to the university on our 2020 progress.

4. Discussion of organization chart of USC's ssbly work

Paul Adler explained the chart we are including in the 2030 document -- adding more leadership and more support.

Discussion led to modification to show role of some Deans on the proposed "Ssbly Leadership Council"

5. New Business and/or updates

Jeremy Kagan informed our committee that ESA met with the provost the previous week, and noted that we need a better process by which communication between groups involved in sustainability can be maintained.

Action Items:

- 1) Sign up to participate in the Environmental Fair held at UPC on 4/11 from 10am-2pm
(Darren with help from Lessa, Esther, and Andre)
- 2) Contact Naomi to present the 2030 document to the Staff Assembly at their April or May meeting **(Darren)**
- 3) Contact Mark and Halli about a Sustainability 2020 Annual Progress Report **(Darren)**

Next committee meeting will be held on Monday April 3 from 0830 to 1000.

The meeting was adjourned at 0956.