

SIU Carbondale Sustainability Council
Monthly Business Meeting Agenda
Monday, April 29th
5:15 pm, Morris Library 752

Members: Students: Connie Kaniewski, Dylan Gibson, Seth Traiteur; Faculty: Leslie Duram, Tao Huang, Shannon McDonald; Staff: Sally Wright, Betsy Bishop, Brad Cowley

1. Call to Order – **Opened at 5:19pm.**
2. Attendance (include present and absent in minutes; names are above)
 - a. Expected to be absent: **Everyone was present except Betsy.**
3. Approval of Minutes – 4/8/2019; 4/16/2019
4/8/2019: **Sally moved to accept the minutes; Connie seconded. Motion passed with 8 votes in favor and no abstentions.**
4/16/2019: **Connie motioned to accept the minutes; Tao seconded. Motion passed with 8 votes in favor and no abstentions.**
4. **Strategic priority planning**
 - a. FY2020 budget (5:19pm-5:43pm)
Questions and discussion took place.
 - **Leslie moved to accept the Sustainability Activities Budget at \$80,613.02; Tao seconded. Motion passed with 8 votes in favor and no abstentions.**
 - b. Renewable Energy Certificates (5:43pm-5:53pm)
There has been no update on the RECs. **We will leave the \$10,000 as is and allow it to roll over if no decision is made.**
 - c. Second Nature proposal: (5:53pm-5:54pm)
There has been no decision made yet, but the Office of the General Counsel may have reviewed it. There will be no signing at the Sustainability Celebration.
 - d. STARS: (5:54pm-5:55pm)
Hala will finish her work next week and resume work in the Fall semester. Gabby will graduate but has hopes to work on the AC1 list over the summer.
 - e. Working Groups: (5:55pm-5:56pm)
No change.
 - f. Hub Relocation (5:56pm-5:57pm)
No change.
5. Sustainability Council openings (5:57pm-6:31pm)
 - a. Student - 3 openings, 4 applications received before deadline of 4/22/2019
 - **Connie motioned to review each student applications first, then vote on which students would be inducted, Dylan Seconded. Motion passed with 8 votes for and no abstentions.**

- **Dylan, Connie, and Seth were voted on to the Sustainability Council for the 2019-2020 academic year.**
 - b. Faculty - 1 opening, 0 applications received before deadline of 4/22/2019
 - i. 1 application received 4/24/2019 - Council vote on whether or not to review.
 - Tao motioned to review the proposal we received late, and Shannon seconded. **Motion passed with 8 votes for and no abstentions.**
 - Tao motioned to accept Dr. Akamani onto the Sustainability Council; Connie seconded. **Motion passed with 8 votes for and no abstentions.**
 - c. Staff - 2 openings, 3 applications received before deadline of 4/22/2019
 - i. 1 application received 4/23/2019 - Council vote on whether or not to review.
 - Tao motioned to review the proposal we received late, and Shannon seconded. **Motion passed with 7 votes for, 1 against, and no abstentions.**
 - Tao motioned to review each staff application first then vote on which staff would be inducted, Shannon seconded. **Motion passed with 8 votes for and no abstentions.**
 - **Brad and Sarah were voted onto the Sustainability Council for the 2019-2020 academic year.**
6. Standing agenda items (6:31pm-6:51pm)
- a. Green Fee account (Geory)
 - i. Balance update - no change
 - ii. GF budget adjustments under \$2500 - none
 - iii. GF budget adjustment requests over \$2500 - none
 - b. Green Fund Committee report (Connie/Dylan)
 - i. Other recommendations from GFC (rubric, proposal, process, etc.)
 - Pre-screening period
We will reach out the projects that need a little work and gather information about whether or not they would like a Pre-screening period in October.
 - Changes to Green Fund proposal form
We will review changes at the next meeting in the Fall.
 - Statement to support prioritization of Green Fund allocation to reflect Campus Sustainability Priorities
We will review changes at the next meeting in the Fall.
 - ii. Extension requests (Connie)
 - 18SP103 - Phase II: Developing a Land Management Plan for the Touch of Nature
Tao motioned to approve the extension request of project 18SP103, Sally seconded. **Motion passed with 8 votes in favor and no abstentions.**
 - iii. Final reports received (or closed projects) (Connie)
 - 18SP105 - SIU Community Dental Center
 - iv. Other requests or items for review

- 16SP102 - Vermi-Compost
 - 18SP107 Rain Garden Renewal - project manager requests cancellation of project
- v. Showcase (Connie): Connie, Geory, Angela, and others put together a slideshow of different Green Fund projects with pictures and statistics; found here: <https://sustainability.siu.edu/green-fee/>
 - vi. Discussion to update Green Fund project master list to include status and actual \$ expended

7. Other events (7:02pm-7:03pm)

- a. Sustainability Celebration - Tuesday, April 30 at 11 am in Morris Library Rotunda
 - i. Who plans to attend?
 - ii. Arrive at event 15 minutes early to help welcome.
 - iii. Will receive magnetic name tags to wear for the event. Please return to Geory or Karen before leaving event.
 - iv. May need to ask you to chip in at tables or with last minute items. We may need you to mingle near entrances during rotunda portion to welcome people into the area.

8. Other updates

- a. [Semester Calendar](#) FYI - see calendar in right column under quick links
- b. Open opportunity to share updates for initiatives not listed here.

9. Thank you and adjourn

Meeting Closed at 7:05pm

No meetings are currently scheduled for the summer. A meeting or meetings would be called if an urgent matter arises.

The fall 2019 meetings will be set in late summer or during the first weeks of the fall semester.

Sustainability Council Calendar - annual planning highlights

August - updates from summer, orientation, overview of semester/year

September - review of fiscal year, prioritization and goals for this year, STARS follow-up; project payment tracking/status (for fall semester)

October - goals and STARS follow-up, [Sustainability Month]

November - select Green Fund Committee (GFC), open applications for open position

December - review applications for open position

January - overview of semester; project payment tracking/status (for spring semester)

February - review extension requests (Feb. 1 is deadline), GFC prepares for funding round

March - review final reports (Mar. 1 is deadline), applications for open position, preparation for Sust. Celebration, Sust. Collaborator (or Hon. Env. Ambassador) award, **GFC reviewing proposals**

April - review GFC recommendations (GF awards), **GFC reviewing proposals**, [Earth Month]

May - review of FY20 budget, review of recommendations from GFC (changes to proposal, rubric, process), review applications for open position/s

Summer - only if needed
