University Sustainability Committee

Members Present: Dr. Krista Harrell, Todd Culp, William Guess, Dr. Doug Marshall, Diana Nichols, Brad Sanders, Victoria Pickle (for Dr. Glen Borchert), Shawn Holloway (for Carl Thomas, SGA)

Members Absent: Dr. John Cleary, Victor Cohen, Cecelia Martin, Mary Beth Massey, Maria McElyea, Stephanie Smallegan

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. by Dr. Krista Harrell.

Old Business:

- 1. The minutes for the 11/16/2017 meeting were approved.
- 2. Bike Share Program Update: Dr. Harrell reported. The University will partner with the City of Mobile and LimeBike. The anticipated launch date will be around Earth Day (April 22, 2018). Dr. Harrell is asking the Sustainability Committee to help support launching this program. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Dr. Harrell. Dr. Borchert's lab will make flyers to promote LimeBike.
- 3. Daily Digest Updates: If you have something that you want submitted to the Digest, please email Dr. Krista Harrell or Catherine Kelly by the 1st of each month.
- 4. Mission/Purpose: Cecelia Martin to report at the February 2018 meeting.
- 5. Old Business: No Discussion

New Business:

- 1. Bike Trails Update: The bike trails by the intermural fields have been downsized, from 20 acres to 5 acres. Michael Brown is currently looking for other options throughout the city to put additional bike trails.
- Green Stadium: Dr. Marshal reported. Suggestions are being submitted for the new stadium. to be a Sustainable Stadium (LED lights, cooling and heating system, etc.)
- 3. Points of Pride/Highlights for Conference Talking Points: Dr. Harrell is asking for talking points for an opening speech Dr. Johnson will be giving for the Sustainability Conference. The following items were suggested: Recycling Numbers, Upgrades to the Recycling Building and Staffing for the Recycling Program, Garden and Education, Bike Trails, Active Student Sustainability Group, Greenhouse plans, Dr. White's Project, Utilities - variable drives for air handler system and the use of well water so that city water is not used, LED lighting, Walking Trails/Wellness, Food Recycling - Food Recovery, Styrofoam free campus.
- 4. Aramark China vs Disposable Plates Charge: Dr. Harrell and Brad Sanders reported. A concern was brought to Dr. Harrell regarding the charge for disposable plates vs. no charge for Aramark China. Brad Sanders explained how the budget works and the reasoning behind this, and will propose different no cost options.