## **University Sustainability Committee**

## May 24, 2018

<u>Members Present</u>: Dr. Krista Harrell, Dr. Glen Borchert, Victor Cohen, William Guess, Cecelia Martin, Mary Beth Massey, Diana Nichols, Grace Newcombe (SGA)

<u>Members Absent:</u> Dr. John Cleary, Todd Culp, Baily Hoffman (Student Sustainability), Dr. Doug Marshall, Brad Sanders, Dr. Stephanie Smallegan

Guest: Sara Boccardo

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 4/19/2018 meeting were approved.
- 2. Mission/Purpose:
  - a. Dr. Harrell has suggested creating a subcommittee to work on the Mission/Purpose Statement. Please contact Dr. Harrell or Cecelia Martin if you would like to be part of this subcommittee.
- 3. Bike Share Program Update:
  - a. Communications/Outreach Plan: Diana Nichols has received promotional information from LimeBike that she will use to promote LimeBike for the August Launch Date. The City of Mobile will also be using LimeBike.
    LimeBike has provided numerous was to contact them with questions or assistance. There will also be a 'no bank' option (for individuals who do not have a bank) and options for low income individuals. Lime Bike's goal is to be accessible to all students, faculty and staff.

William Guess suggested having a table set up during Orientation to promote LimeBike. Diana Nichols will send out a sign-up sheet for members of this committee promote Sustainability and Lime Bike during Orientation. Diana Nichols will have a table top banner designed to use during Orientation.

- b. Week of Welcome Ideas: Dr. Harrell suggested that a table be set up during WOW with 'Limeade' and have the bikes on site (for demonstration) to help promote the LimeBike program. Diana Nichols suggested having Tshirts and other promotional 'give away' items. A sign-up sheet for this will be sent out at a later date.
- 4. Daily Digest Updates:
  - a. Reminder to get content of what you would like submitted to Dr. Harrell or Catherine Kelly by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.
- 5. Recycling: William Guess reported that the recycling numbers are down (a little) from previous months. As a reminder, ink cartridges are accepted for recycling. Currently, the Tech Park facility is not part of USA's recycling program.

6. Other Old Business: No report.

## **New Business:**

- 1. Sara Boccardo
  - a. Director of Sustainability Goodwill Easter Seals of the Gulf Coast, Inc.
     Sara informed the committee that Goodwill has trailers that can be used recycling. It has separate compartments for paper, cardboard, plastic, etc.
     She suggested using these trailers for football games and Move In Day. Mary Beth Massey will discuss funding options for this with Dr. Erdmann and report back to the committee. William Guess suggested forming a subcommittee for recycling at football games. This subcommittee will meet at a later date.
- 2. Re-evaluate Sub Committee:

Dr. Harrell has suggested that the committee review the sub-committees and decide which subcommittees to keep, which to remove and create new subcommittees, as needed (for example, subcommittee for recycling at football games).

- 3. Conference on Teaching & Learning Sustainability Panel Dr. Harrell was informed that there is a Sustainability Panel. Her goal is for this committee to work with that panel to help promote Sustainability.
- 4. Chair Update: Dr. Harrell is stepping down and Dr. James Bridgeforth has been appointed effective immediately. Dr. Harrell will continue to serve on the committee. Michael Brown, from Campus Recreation, is leaving the University to pursue another opportunity. Dr. Harrell will replace Michael as the contact person for the LimeBike program during the interim.
- 5. Open Floor: No new items reported.
- 6. Parking Lot Items: Dr. Harrell has been communicating with Brian Allred, Chair Wellness Committee to discuss things throughout campus that 'overlap'. For example, bike lanes on campus. This is something that Sustainability and Wellness Committee would have an interest in; please send any suggestions or comments about this to Dr. Harrell.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Dr. Krista Harrell, Associate Dean of Students