University Sustainability Committee

June 21, 2018

<u>Members Present:</u> Dr. James Bridgeforth, Dr. Krista Harrell, Dr. Glen Borchert, Victor Cohen, William Guess, Diana Nichols, Grace Newcombe (SGA), Todd Culp

Members Absent: Dr. John Cleary, Baily Hoffman (Student Sustainability), Dr. Doug Marshall, Brad Sanders, Dr. Stephanie Smallegan, Cecelia Martin, Mary Beth Massey

Guest: Lisa Cobb, Shannon Shelley-Tremblay

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Dr. James Bridgeforth.

Dr. Bridgeforth thanked Dr. Harrell for her leadership while she chaired the committee and expressed gratitude for her continued support.

Old Business:

- 1. The minutes for the 5/24/2018 meeting were approved.
- 2. **Update on Lime:** Dr. Harrell and Diana Nichols reported. There was a conference call with Dr. Bridgeforth, Diana Nichols, Dr. Harrell and LimeBike representatives on June 8th. The Sustainability is continuing to have a table at orientation to display the LimeBike, hand out information and answer questions. It was suggested that the table be moved downstairs on the north side of the Student Center. Dr. Harrell will have to inquire about and get permission to move the table.

It is suggested that a representative from the Wellness Committee attend the Sustainability Committee meetings to help support the LimeBike Program.

Once the LimeBike Program begins on campus (projected date is August 18th, which is also the launch date for the City of Mobile) there will be a designated representative from LimeBike assigned to the University. Scooters and Ebikes will eventually be available to rent through LimeBike. William Guess inquired about safety concerns regarding charging these devices and the where the bikes will be stationed/located.

Diana Nichols suggested making signs posted throughout campus to help promote the LimeBike program.

It was suggested that a subcommittee be created to solely focus on the LimeBike Program. Dr. Harrell will remain the contact person for LimeBike until someone is appointed.

- 3. Mission/Purpose: Dr. Bridgeforth reported. Dr. Bridgeforth would like to defer this and devote the July Committee Meeting to discuss the Mission/Purpose statement. He has asked the committee to give this topic some thought to prepare to discuss at the next meeting.
- 4. Compartment Trailer for Football Games: Dr. Bridgeforth reported. William Guess has offered to fund the cost for transporting the trailers to the football games and back to

the Hitt Road facility. Shannon Shelley-Tremblay will be available to coordinate volunteer opportunities. Mary Beth Massey will report on this at the July committee meeting.

New Business:

- 1. Adopt-A-Stream: William Guess reported. One of the aspects of the MS4 permit is Public Outreach. Signage is part of the public education aspect of the permit requirements. There are two signs on campus that read "Adopt-A-Stream" that are from the 1980s and have not been updated. The groups currently on the signs no longer exist. William Guess received permission from Dr. Smith to list the Sustainability Committee as sponsor on the signs. The committee approved having Sustainability Committee listed as a sponsor on the signs. No additional action is needed from the Committee at this time.
- 2. Sub-committee Update: Dr. Bridgeforth has asked the committee to reevaluate the existing subcommittees to see if they should be removed or put on hold and to recommend any new subcommittees that might be needed. He has asked the committee to bring their recommendations to the next committee meeting.
- 3. Update on the Recycling Center: Todd Culp reported. It has become more difficult for the Hitt Road facility to pick up recycling from the University so Todd has reached out to Caraustar Industries. Caraustar has proposed having a dumpster placed at the recycling center to be catch the overflow of recycle materials at a cost of \$75.00 per month. Randy Moon and President Waldrop will review this proposal and the site next week and make a decision regarding this issue.
- 4. Open Floor: No new items reported.
- Update from the Chair: Work Groups will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

James Bridgeform, Director of Housing