

**SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE-MINUTES**  
**MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**10:00 AM, October 4, 2016**  
**Carrington 203**

**Attendees:**

Matt Morris  
Tammy Jahnke  
Jordan Schanda  
Bill Cheek  
Adam Coffman  
Jen Cox  
Teresa Frederick  
Terrel Gallaway  
Janice Greene  
Tony Hein  
Alex Johnson  
Cathy Jordan  
Mike Klem  
Thomas Lane  
Barbara Lucks  
Tina McManus  
David Vaughan  
Emily Yeap

**A. Approve Minutes from September 6, 2016 meeting – Approved 10:01am**

**B. Sustainability at MSU Presentation – Jordan Schanda (see attachment)**

- **Dean Jahnke announced film, “Before the Flood” climate change film at PSU Theater on Saturday October 8, MSU film department is hosting event**

**C. Campus Sustainability Updates – Jordan Schanda**

**a. Campus Sustainability Month – October**

- i. **Documentary Screening of “*The True Cost*”-the film is about the impact of the fashion industry on our community and across the globe.**

**1. October 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm – PSU Theater**

**b. Sustainability Workshops**

- i. **Fall 2016 Schedule (see attachment)//Link to dates and topics: <http://bit.ly/2cEUNNm>**
- ii. **October is about Composting; workshop being held today at Cheek Hall.**

**D. Reports from Subcommittees**

- a. **Academics – Terrell Gallaway, Chair** – continuing to work on graduate certificate program and address logistical issues; exploring easier/effective way of tracking sustainability research by faculty, noted that academic freedom and the curriculum processes are important and valid constraints when addressing academic policies.
- b. **Engagement – Alex Johnson, Chair** – Sustainability Cultural Assessment survey in development, Sustainability info inserted into orientations, flip the switch energy competitions will take over planning for this in the Fall.

- c. **Operations – Jen Cox, Chair** – Tony Hein has agreed to position as Co-Chair. Assigned specific focus areas within Operations to subcommittee members to determine short, medium, and long term goals with specific strategies while identifying whom at the university is responsible for progress on each goal.

**Planning and Administration – Barbara Lucks, Chair** – The subcommittee met September 14 and reviewed the complete sustainability report. Following discussion, the subcommittee approved a new task – creating a Sustainability Strategic Plan that encompasses all areas of campus and includes measurable outcomes, strategies and timelines. The plan will be developed with short-term, medium and long-term goals for campus—strategies, outcome, and timeline. With the next submission to AASHE scheduled for Spring of 2018, the Plan should be ready to roll out in advance of this. To complete this task, a series of meetings will be held with the other subcommittees, and tracking will take place as more information is compiled along the way.

➤ **News from around the room!**

- ❖ Barbara Lucks is retiring from her position with the City of Springfield, Matt Morris expressed appreciation for her efforts for the sake of sustainability and in cooperation with MSU. New city representation will be appointed with Barbara's assistance.

**Adam Coffman**—SSF new membership being appointed.

**Tony Hein**—the Department of Natural Resources has asked for all composting to be put on hold. Dining Services is re-evaluating what can be done in cooperation with vendors as a result. Tony indicated they will have a supply chain worked out by November. An additional grow room is in the works to be set up soon, staff being appointed now. A pop-up Farmer's Market is also in the works.

**Thomas Lane**—Zip Car program is under discussion in terms of whether or not it is feasible to continue given that the company will require a certain revenue sharing agreement. Based on current usage, this would put MSU in a shortfall position. Continuation of the program is being evaluated by SGA.

**Jordan Schanda**—AASHE conference attendance this week—contact Jordan with any suggestions/interest in topics she will be exposed to at the event for her to attend. Tony Hein asked for information about composting machines to assist MSU with their process, and Dean Jahnke asked for consideration of what reporting processes other universities are utilizing similar to MSU.

**Terrell Gallaway**—lighting improvements being considered by city of Ozark to, among other things, improve historic downtown area.

**David Vaughan**—request received and noted last meeting about Tree Canopy restoration and preservation policy, in which MSU has been asked to write a letter or endorse the letter the organization is sending. Bill Cheek recommended that it would be best to provide our own letter. A motion was made by several committee members and unanimously approved. Janice noted the importance of this policy and ensuring trees are protected and kept in the community.

**Janice Greene**—Bull Shoals Field Station event coming up: Land Ethics Leaders Program Workshop, November 10-12, 2016. The event is being presented in partnership with the Aldo Leopold Foundation and the Missouri Leopold Education Project program. (see attachment)

**Bill Cheek**—noted appreciation to the Board of Governors and the Administration for ongoing and important support/investment for Sustainability at Missouri State University

**Mike Klem**— Upcoming events at Darr School of Agriculture include:

- October 13, 2016, 4-7 pm: Landowner's Workshop at MSU Journagan Ranch co-sponsored by Missouri Department of Conservation. Demonstrations of ongoing sustainability projects including: Native grass establishment, Alternative watering systems, Pollinator habitat, Glade and Woodland Restoration, Fencing to exclude livestock, and Water quality monitoring. Information sharing will include better grazing systems for both livestock and wildlife. Meal will be provided, RSVP 417-547-7500
- October 20-21, 2016: Tri-State Water Resource Coalition/MSU annual conference at Darr Agriculture Center. <http://noncredit.missouristate.edu/waterconference.htm>
  - Students are welcome.
- Plans are being discussed for conversion of the older lighting in Pinegar Arena and the surrounding parking lots to more energy efficient LED lighting.

**Barbara Lucks**—The City recently received approval for Bio Digester project, expected to be completed in approximately 36 months. It is anticipated that this project will serve as an outlet for food waste composting. The renewal of the Parks and Soils Sales Tax will be on the November ballot. The consulting firm hired to complete a study regarding the efficiency of trash collection and recycling services, will be beginning their work, which will include open houses to gain citizen input, a survey and final recommendations to City Council after the first of the year. The Solid Waste Management District grant call is out, with approximately \$300,000 available this year. These are reimbursable grants that don't require a match. Typically, equipment purchases, such as recycling bins/containers are favored. CU has now reduced their energy portfolio to include only 1/3 from coal sources. The Ozarks Commute software vendor has been changed from RideShark to RideAmigos. There may be a short interruption during the transition to the new provider. City Environmental Services staff will be exhibiting at the HBA Remodeling Show this coming weekend.

**Brad Kielhofner (absent, Matt Morris reported)**—LED lighting installation continued installment at Grant Street, near completion.

Tammy—SSF recycling teams busy keeping up with football games.

**Next meeting:**

**November 1, 2016**

<http://www.missouristate.edu/sustainability/>