



Minutes

Attendees:

Alan Davis (co-chair), Andrew Chisholm (Co-Chair), Erin Pederson (KSA Sustainability Coordinator), Iain Hunter, Paul Richard, Todd Mundle, Rebecca Harbut Murdoch de Mooy, Ellen Pond, and Caroline Lillico (minutes)

Regrets: , Betty Worobec, Marlyn Graziano, Robert Ball

Guest: Arleigh Reichl, Faculty, Depts. of Psychology and Political Studies

Agenda	Discussion	Action Item
1. Presentation	A. Reichl provided a presentation based on a study conducted by his PSYCH/POST 4150 students. Students were tasked to see if people might respond to messages regarding recycling of disposable coffee cups and sleeves. Two different messages via a poster were introduced. One message contained passive yet encouraging words while the other contained words that may be contrived as a subtle warning. The study found that the message which contained the warning prompted more students to recycle. Results showed an increase of 67.7% of sleeves and 25% crushed coffee cups were recycled. Proposed support from ESC: Implementation of successful strategies Support further investigation of promising strategies Cooperation and support from Facilities (i.e. posting of posters) Share committee's priorities for possible projects Foster Interdisciplinary connections Review final reports of student projects Attend final presentations of student projects. Benefits of collaboration: Increase student engagement Priorities are addressed Evidence-based strategies Cost-effective strategies Increase public profile for KPU and POST Discussion Lots of opportunities to work with Facilities. Facilities can identify some key projects for students (i.e temperature in buildings). CORA – a repository for students sustainability-based projects. The new manager position can definitely take on this role. A. Reichl was thanked for attending the meeting and providing the insightful presentation.	
Introductions & Agenda Approval	 Erin Pederson, KUSA Sustainability Coordinator was welcomed to the committee. The Agenda for September 21, 2018 was approved as circulated. 	
3. Minutes Approval	The Minutes of June 4, 2018 were approved as circulated. Update on Action Items from Minutes K. Purbs is working with a US company and researching with other university/college campuses have been handling this straw issue. There are a variety of different options to	

	consider and more research to be done before recommendations coming forward. One solution for Cups/Bottles is to have reusable cups with RFID imbedded. Students would be able to load up money on them and use the cup to access beverages from a free-style machine. The cups would cost about \$10 each and machines would cost about \$360/month. The machines could dispense over 100 different beverages. Many water fountains on campuses not working. In particular the Surrey Birch building. ACTION: Facilities will look into this and have the fountains repaired. No LEED on the Civic Plaza Building – the contractor is in full control of this situation.	Facilities
4. KSA Update	 Working on the Sustainability Signage Project – this project aims to highlight with signage different aspects of the campuses that are environmentally focused. Students did tours of the campus buildings and analyzed them. Looking at a multi-level signage design that would be eyecatching. The ideas should be handed over to marketing, and also have M. Graziano's input. The Surrey campus Pond revitalization is underway. WSOD building – this wasn't ready yet at the time, so students will be coming back at another time to review the building. KSA would like to do a presentation on the initiatives at an upcoming meeting. 	
5. Facilities Update	 .K. Purbs is working with Sodexo regarding usage of straws. All plastics will be compostable. The KPU Bookstores are now selling reusable metal straws. While Sodexo is onboard, we're now working with the franchises. Food procurements – facilities is working on this with Sodexo and they are willing to work with Hort. They have existing contracts with food sources to consider. With Sodexo and Hort working together better communication of demand will be understood. 	
6. Manager position	 More revisions to the job description have been done and more reviews are necessary. We're aiming to have the position filled by the end of this semester. 	
7. Burns Bog Peat Lands conference (update)	"Peatlands for People Revisited" is underway as planned. The conference will take place October 11 – 13, 2018. More information is available on their website burnsbog.org	
8. National Sustainability week	 Simon Chui provided a brief presentation on this year's Sustainability Week. It will be held on October 22-26th. One day per campus. On the day of the event, there will be many information tables and many KPU departments are involved. More information will be available soon, as well as posters set up on all campuses. 	
9. Next Meeting	Next meeting: Friday, December 7, 2018 – 1:00pm – 3:00pm (Surrey Cedar Boardroom)	