

# CSC Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 15 · 1:30 – 3:00pm

Attendees: Katie Maynard, jewel Persad, Renee Bahl, Ken Hiltner, Krista Fritzen, Mark Rousseau, Gildas Halle, Cali Pflieger, Kat Lane, Bret Collins, Katee Gustavson, Julie Hendricks, Melody Jue, Saul Ventura, Rolan Geyer, Matt O'carroll, Kristen Antelman, Sarah Siedschlag

## Open Forum/Introductions (1:30 - 1:35): -

- Public Forum Comments - No comments

## Announcements (1:35 - 1:39):

- Sea Level Rise Adaptation Strategy Public Comment Period ends Dec 7th
  - UCSB SLR Adaptation Strategy Public Hearing - 5:30 to 7pm, Nov 15th - Where: Isla Vista Community Room, 970 Embarcadero del Mar at 5:30 to 7pm
  - BREN SEMINAR with Charles Lester, Monday, November 21, 2022 | 11:00-12:00 PT - <https://ucsb.zoom.us/j/87342826987> or view in Bren Hall 1414
  - Nature Center Event - Tentative for Dec 3rd

## Approve Meeting Min. from October(1:39 - 1:40): - approved

## Presentation and Discussion (1:40 - 2:45): -

- A. Waste Infrastructure changes - Matt O'Carroll & Katee Gustavson
  - a. A waste diversion rate is used to determine how much is being diverted from the landfill. We are at 64%
    - i. Influences: what can be recycled locally
  - b. Changes to processing of solid waste for the University
    - i. Previous flow chart of where our material went
      1. Landfill - Tajiguas
      2. Recycling - Marborg love Recycling Center
      3. Compost - Engle & Gray (Windrow composting (Aerobic))
    - ii. New stream destinations
      1. Waste - Resource Center - Tajiguas
      2. Recycling - ReSource Center
      3. Composting - ReSource Center - Anaerobic Digester
    - iii. Spending an additional \$475k annually
    - iv. MRF opened in July 2021, goal was to extend landfill life by 10 years
      1. Machine and hand sorting
      2. AG methane powers facility
    - v. Waste Stream Changes on campus
      1. Developed new streamlined signage that is trilingual and

simplified

2. Big Changes are plastics and compostables
  - a. Recycle 1 & 2, 3 through 7 are landfills
  - b. Compostables - PLA 7 are no longer accepted because they will not breakdown in AG
  - c. Procurement is working on improving what is offered to align with new regulations

Discussions: What happens if someone puts garbage in the wrong bin? AS recycling employees route riders hand sort bins to make sure that what we put in dumpsters is highly accurate.

For indoor bins we do not handsort. No penalties for putting things in the wrong bins. If we saw some dangerous contamination, we would have a chance to rectify these.

Is the end product a superior compost?

Anaerobic Digester has to have a second procedure

Some larger cities have composting at the Residential level

- B. Presentation on UC Sustainability Officers Statement on Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion - Katie Maynard & Brett Collins
  - a. Action Statements: 10 areas of action (Definitions & Learning)
  - b. Trainings: UC Sustainability Officers training, UC Sustainability Officers, UC Sustainability Steering Committee Meeting, Student Intern and Staff Trainings
  - c. Policy - any new policy has to address DEIJ elements
  - d. UCSB CSC expansion of student representation
  - e. Community Building: Safe space for all people, hiring practices (student hiring practice recognition), engagement, intentional outreach, now tracking this through tracking of student ID numbers, work study partnership ensures low income students are represented.
  - f. New Learning Aligned Employment Program (LAEP) - covers 90% of costs of internships. Starting in spring quarter
  - g. Accountability & Transparency - exploring integrating demographic data into reporting process, UC Wide DEIJ Advisory Board that meets Quarterly
  - h. Broad Initiatives: Jedi-Centered CLimate Resiliency Planning, Sustainable Transportation Equity Project - needs assessment around transportation access in IV, Food Security Outreach (new program in development to expand basic needs and CalFresh outreach to better represent Asian Pacific Islander Students), expanding CalFresh to local community (USDA grant allows for 25% of applicants to be non-students, Diabetes Prevention Program
  - i. VC DEI office is mobilizing to support the community:
    - i. Offering workshops
    - ii. Consultations on vision and mission

- iii. Trainings
  - 1. Working with various groups on campus to offer diverse training.
  - 2. Lots of success in training for student workers.
- iv. 1 year funding cycle grants for transformation projects (seed 5 projects (~\$5k)), Sustainability work would be primed for this grant especially because our goal is to make basic needs core to our mission.
- v. We look to be a hub for DEI data
- vi. Planning a Winter Quarter DEI Summit and we are interested in UCSB Sustainability participating
- vii. We are also happy to partner on grant work

Discussion:

Is the Summit open to all of campus? Scaling (calling in), but small enough that we can focus in a workgroup. There will be targeted invites.

Jeffrey Stewart - came on officially in June of 2022 and is interim Vice Chancellor.

The campus has an Environmental & Climate Justice Studies Research Hub (EJ/CJ) out of the Orfalea Center for Global & International Studies

#### C. Presentation on UC Wide Sustainable Practices Policy Recommendations

UC Sustainability Steering Committee - approves UC wide sustainability policy

- Climate Protection Policy - the Climate Change Working group is exploring revamping the climate protection policy to align with the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi). Potential policy recommendations include:
  - Achieve net-zero greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for Scope 1, 2, and relevant Scope 3 emissions by no later than 2045, with near- and long-term targets in alignment with the Net-Zero Standard developed by the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi).
  - Considering including the following Scope 3 reporting categories: business travel, employee commuting, and waste generated in operations (disposal and treatment of solid waste).
  - Per the Net-Zero Standard, near-term target dates must be five to ten years from the adoption of net-zero targets. Discussion around having each location set their own near-term emissions reduction targets for 2030 and 2035.

Discussion: Offsets, not making the 2025 worth doing if we cannot ensure Quality

If the community understands the research put into exploring offsets and the problems with ensuring quality, I think the campus will see this as positive.

- Water Policy Recommendations
  - LEED new construction would receive at least 5 of the water points available. Pushes us to achieve more credits in the water section

- Policy Idea: Aligned with STARS Water Credit: 3 qualitative indicators of water stewardship: water quality standards, water balance analysis, and campus-community resiliency planning, and Water reuse: the ratio of water captured or recovered (on-site or off-site) for reuse by the institution to potable water from off-site sources.
- UC Water Working Group, in collaboration with Healthy Campus Network (HBI, UC faculty consortium on beverages and health), using Healthy Beverage Initiative mapping as a baseline, will identify an evidence-based number by 2025, to determine a baseline, and set a goal to increase the ratio of bottle filling stations as a percentage of water fountains and campus population. The group will develop guidelines for drinking water access and identifying deficiencies in drinking water access. Drinking water access cannot be met with bottled water.

**Updates (2:45 - 2:55):**

A. Sustainability Director Update - Katie Maynard

AVC Jean Jones offered support for becoming a contracts and grants department and has mid-term and long term plans to improve our grants support.

Working on scoping out a potential 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief grant program (DWR) grant (\$3 million plus)

Gantt chart and year round planning for outreach and media plan. Also mapping award programs.

B. GCLC Decarbonization Task Force Update - Jewel Persad

President Drake is convening a Task Force under the UC Global Climate Leadership Council to address the campus decarbonization challenge and respond to the Academic Senate Memorial to the Regents on Reducing Fossil Fuel Reduction. One of the goals is to guide the scope, delivery, aggregation, and final packaging to the President and Chancellors of the State-funded decarbonization studies for each location.

**Other Updates (2:55 - 3:00):**

Exxon just sold 3 platforms to a local oil company. EAB just hosted its first ECOalition meeting and had over 30 attendees from different student environmental focused organizations.