

Rancho Santiago Community College District Sustainable RSCCD Committee

Meeting Notes May 17, 2017 Members: Raúl Rodríguez Present Carri Matsumoto Present Michael Collins Present Arleen Satele Present Jim Kennedy Present Jose Vargas Present Kimo Morris Present Lisa McKowan-Bourguignon Absent Doug Deaver Absent **Kelsey Bains** Absent Student – SCC Vacant Student - SAC Vacant Also Attending: Judy Iannaccone Angela Guevara

The meeting was convened at 3:05 p.m.

1. Progress of Ongoing Sustainability Projects

Assistance Vice Chancellor Matsumoto provided an update on the district's current sustainability projects. These included:

- a. Proposition 39 projects
- b. Water Conservation projects
- c. Scheduled Maintenance projects
- d. Central Plant and Infrastructure
- e. SAC Johnson Student Center
- f. SAC Science Center

During discussion of the above it was noted that landscape was a key element on the campuses. Dr. Kimo Morris will send suggestion for California native plant suggestions to Ms. Matsumoto and Dr. Collins for us on campuses and inclusion in the landscape guidelines.

- 2. Report of College Earth Day Events
 - a. Dr. Morris reported that SAC held their 5th annual Earth Day event. And, while not as robust or full scale as in the past years because of the limitations posed with the campus construction, it was a success. Of note was that the program discussions were student-led.
 - b. Dr. Satele and Mr. Vargas reported that the SCC/OEC Earth Day event was a success with increased student involvement. The event is growing significantly with support from administration.

3. 2017-2018 Meeting Dates

Dr. Rodríguez announced the dates for the 2017-2018 academic year. The dates will be posted on the SRC webpage and a schedule will be sent to all SRC members.

- 4. Other
 - a. Recycling efforts it was reported that Phase I will move forward with the recycling grant that was approved by the board at the May 15, 2017 meeting. Phase II is an RFP for a trash hauler that will be done. In the meantime, the current trash hauling contract is on a month-to-month basis.
 - b. CA Higher Ed Sustainability Conference to be held in Santa Barbara in June. Dr. Morris expressed an interest in attending, but would need funding support.
 - c. Ms. Matsumoto stated that the Sustainability Plan Update would be done in 2017-2018, so all should keep track of the work being done so it can be included in the update.
 - d. Dr. Collins reported that the SAC students approved the OCTA bus pass pilot program and he would be working with OCTA to implement it and plan for future after pilot program ends.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, at 3 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room (#114) at the District Office.

Meeting Adjournment: 3:30 p.m.