

Minutes of the ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 2, 2018

Committee meeting held in the TRUSU Boardroom, Thompson Rivers University Kamloops, B.C., commencing at 12:00 PM.

HEADING ITEM / DISCUSSION ACTION

ATTENDANCE

Present: Warren Asuchak; Wilson Bell; Scott Blackford (Vice Chair); Tom Dickenson;;

James Gordon; Brad Harasymchuk; Courtney Mason; Tina Matthew (designate

for Paul Michel); Bala Nikku; Dipesh Prema; Amie Schellenberg

Participating by Teleconference: None.

Absent: Glenn Read; Kyle Robertson

Regrets: Lloyd Bennett; Karl Fultz (Chair); Jim Gudjonson; Sharman Learie; Caitlin Quist;

Nicole Schabus; Peter Tsigaris

Guests: Melina Smith (TRU Sustainability Office)

Others: Michael Mehta (on sabbatical until September 2018, so he is not counted towards

quorum)

CALL TO ORDER &

WELCOMES

The meeting, being duly constituted for the conduct of business, was called to order at 12:10 pm by the Vice Chair, Scott Blackford. New member Bala Nikku was welcomed (he is a faculty member from the

Faculty of Education and Social Work). Everyone introduced

themselves.

ADOPTION OF

AGENDA

On motion duly made it was RESOLVED to approve the agenda as

distributed.

ADOPTION OF

MINUTES

Minutes of April 4, 2018. On motion duly made it was RESOLVED to

approve these Minutes.

PRESENTATIONS

none

BUSINESS ARISING

FROM MINUTES

Ensuring proper process for awarding Environmental

Sustainability Achievement Award for 2019: Scott stressed

once again the importance of making the award process accessible to the whole campus community. He and Peter

worked on the terms of reference and he will send this to James

so that James can forward this to the committee. The

James

nomination process won't start until January so there is time to put some thought into the best process moving forward.

Bird window strikes and mortality. James found out that the name of the person at the new Trades building regarding the bird strike issue (that Lloyd Bennett talked with) is Jamie Hoxic, who is the rep on JOHSC for the construction company doing the Trades building addition. Tom reported that he and Karl have been working together on a pilot project to address the bird strikes issue on campus. They have mapped out a one hour walking route around the campus in order to target some of the main buildings that are causing the strikes. These buildings are HOL A&E, Science, CAC and TRUSU. Three things will be recorded: deaths, strikes, and marks on the window were a bird has struck it. The key times of concern are during the spring and fall migration. A student is being sought to help with this work this summer.

Reducing litter on campus – Tabled due to Karl's absence.

Karl

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

TRU Sustainability Education in the Curriculum subcommittee. James reported that Susan told him that there was still room in May 14 and 15th workshop. James will ask for a report from Susan once the course is done.

James

<u>Sustainable Procurement Framework Sub-Committee.</u> Tabled due to Jim's absence.

Jim

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None due to Jim's absence

NEW BUSINESS

Courtney inquired about plans for the Sustainability
Ambassadors Program and James reported that the program
will start up again in the summer. It was put on hold for a year
in order to complete the STARS report.

The issue of when the meetings will take place next fall came up, so James will send out a doodle poll finding out what options work best for people and then there will be discussion at the June meeting to try to arrive at a conclusion.

James

CORRESPONDENCE None

NEXT MEETING June 6, 2018. Noon to 1:30 in the TRUSU Boardroom. ADJOURNMENT 1:20 PM. Signature of Chairperson, Chair Signature of Vice-Chairperson, Vice-Chair (if required)