

iCAP Working Group Minutes

Tuesday, October 4th, 2016

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Present: Robyn Deterding, Joe Edwards, Jamil Henderson (Intern with Robyn), Morgan Johnston, Ben McCall, Sean Reeder, Matthew Tomaszewski, Scott Willenbrock

1. Introduction
 - a. Each person briefly introduced themselves to the group.
 - b. Campus sustainability structure: Ben provided a summary of the “Procedures for Formulating & Evaluating Campus Sustainability Policies & Initiatives” highlighting the responsibilities of the iWG. The procedures are being revised to include membership of the Provost Fellow for Sustainability.
2. Update on electrification study: The recommendation from the Energy Generation, Purchasing, and Distribution SWATeam regarding the electrification of most campus space and water heating was discussed. Currently campus heating runs mainly on steam, but if the heating system were electrified it would be easier to convert to renewable sources in the future. Campus has committed to reaching carbon neutrality by no later than 2050, and this will help us to fulfill that commitment. The Utilities Master Plan indicated that this option was too expensive to consider, but we do need a more detailed examination of the costs and benefits associated with electrification. Estimates for an external consultant to perform this study are in the range of \$200,000 to \$300,000. Recommendations in this price range are usually transmitted to the Sustainability Council for approval, but the iWG needs to consider the recommendation and decide what action to take. The files associated with the electrification study will be shared in the Box folder. The group will further discuss at the next meeting.
3. Review SWATeam posters for Campus Sustainability Celebration: The iWG needs to provide feedback to the SWATeams on the posters prepared for the Campus Sustainability Celebration. They have been shared in the Box folder, and comments can be added there. A few observations were shared with the group. One comment proposed maximizing the space for text rather than photos. Another suggested consistency among titles for team members, and adding student majors. For new members, it would be helpful to read the 2015 iCAP to get an understanding of the objectives set forth in that document. A power point presentation with all the objectives and responsible parties will be shared in the Box folder. We will need to act fairly quickly on this as time is short to make changes and have them ready for the **Campus Sustainability Celebration on October 26, 4-6 pm at Alice Campbell Alumni Center. All are strongly encouraged to attend.**
4. Future meeting dates: Ben proposed November 1 and 29 as future dates. Olivia will explore times and dates for best options.

Adjournment: 1:55 pm.