



Meeting Summary
December 1, 2016

Council Members Present:

Carlo Colella, Vice President for Administration and Finance (Chair)
Linda Clement, Vice President for Student Affairs
Maureen Kotlas, Executive Director, Environmental Safety, Sustainability & Risk
Scott Lupin, Assoc. Dir., Environmental Safety, Sustainability & Risk, and Director, Office of Sustainability
Mary-Ann Ibeziako, Director, Department of Engineering and Energy
Bryan Quinn, Director of Technical Operation, Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering
David Cooper, Assistant Director of Systems Architecture, Division of IT
Jelena Srebric, Professor, Mechanical Engineering
Joseph Sullivan, Professor, Plant Science and Landscape Architecture
Steve Cohan, Professor of Practice, Plant Science and Landscape Architecture
Samantha Bingaman, Undergraduate Student, Environmental Science and Policy

Meeting start time: 11:00am

Meeting Highlights

Welcome and Review of November 1, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Carlo Colella welcomed the Council members and called the meeting to order. Meeting summary from November 1 was approved.

Climate Action Plan (CAP) 2.0

Mark Stewart and Sally DeLeon from the Office of Sustainability continued the presentation of the draft Climate Action Plan 2.0.

They provided the following updates:

- In the Education section, the Council on the Environment (ConE) needs to be removed for the time being. An update on ConE redefining their charter will likely occur in January 2017.
- The Administrative Council approved the air travel carbon offset program. The program will go to the President's Office next for review.
- In regards to the Sustainability Graduate program, the language should be revised to "establish a strategy to sustain a program."
- The "foster research section" is written vaguely and will be updated. It should be considered to add a section that includes "USM possibility to incorporate into research." Include "other institutions in USM" in the final bullet points.

- CAP 2.0 will be reviewed by the Administrative Council and then the University Senate before going to the President's Office for final approval. The plan is to officially announce and make CAP 2.0 live on Earth Day 2017. CAP 2.0 is available [on-line](#).

University Sustainability Fund Projects

Samantha Bingaman, undergraduate representative, presented five University Sustainability Fund projects to the Council for review.

The Council reviewed the following projects:

Capitalism vs. Climate with Naomi Klein

The Council voted to approve the request of \$7,000. The grant will cover speaker fees and room reservation. This is a part of the Spring 2017 Voices of Social Change lecture series.

Erosion Control for Pollinator Habitat Wall

The Council voted to approve the request of \$5,700. The grant will cover supplies and labor.

Master's Degree in Sustainability

The Council voted to table the request of \$90,000 until the proposer talks with Betsy Beise, Associate Provost, about the program. The grant proposes the initiation of a degree with eclectic, interdisciplinary curriculum, a 24-month postdoctoral research associate salary.

Solar Decathlon Entry

The Council voted to approve the request of \$60,000. The grant will cover materials, design, and competition expenses for the University of Maryland Solar Decathlon competition team.

Team Bacteria

The Council voted to approve the request of \$5,000. The grant will cover materials and research for lab work on-campus.

Adjourn: 1:00p

