



Meeting Summary  
November 7, 2012

**Council members present:**

Robert M. Specter, Vice President for Administration and Finance (Chair)  
Linda Clement, Vice President for Student Affairs  
Scott Lupin, Associate Director, Environmental Safety and Director, Office of Sustainability  
Joan Kowal, Energy Manager, Facilities Management  
Bryan Quinn, Director of Technical Operations, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering  
Monette Bailey, Senior Writer/Editor, University Relations  
Ross Salawitch, Professor, Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences  
Steve Hutcheson, Professor, Cell Biology & Molecular Genetics  
Carol Rogers, Professor, Journalism  
Clark Rushing, Graduate Student, Biology  
Karina French, Undergraduate Student, English and Geography

**Guests:**

Russell Furr, Director, Environmental Safety

Meeting start time: 9:00 am

Meeting Highlights

**Creating a Council Vision for Campus Sustainability, continued**

The entirety of this meeting was dedicated to completing a visioning exercise the Council started during its October 2013 meeting. By the end of the meeting, the Council had articulated its vision and values for campus sustainability. Following the meeting, the Office of Sustainability refined the Council's vision and values into the following draft summary:

**Vision:**

The University Sustainability Council, in support of the University of Maryland's Strategic Plan, is committed to creating a national model for a green university. We envision a university that is at the forefront of research, knowledge and practice thereby creating a sustainable and resilient community today and for future generations. The Council will provide guidance, strategic planning and senior level support to fully integrate sustainability into the teaching, research, service, and operations of the campus in pursuit of this vision.

**The Council values:**

- Conservation of ecosystem services upon which human civilization depends.
- Leadership through action to minimize our environmental impact.
- Commitment to campus sustainability at the highest levels of university administration.
- Partnerships and collaboration with the campus and the community.

- Making sustainability education and research an enduring priority.
- Sharing best practices and lessons learned to enhance the sustainability of communities near and far.

Council members will further refine these vision and values statements during the December 2013 meeting.

Adjourn: 11:00 am