CONTRA COSTA COLLEGE

Sustainability Committee

Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 7:00 am - 8:00 am

Zoom: https://4cd.zoom.us/j/87546586273 Meeting ID: 875 4658 6273

In-Person Location: SAB-211

Members

Chairperson: William Tandongfor (Acting Chair) **Managers**: Bruce King, Tracy Marcial, Beth Goehring

Faculty: Nader Sharkes, Joy Eichnerlynch, Michelle Naido, Vanna Gonzales, Dionne Perez, Bansal Gurtej, Natasha Lockett

Classified: Jim Gardner, Taliha Pasaoglu, Tadaletch (Tady) Yoseph, Jose Carlos Martin, Courtney Carson*

Students: Kevin G. Ruano Hernandez, Carlos Rosales

Present: William Tandongfor, Jose Martin, Thuy Dang, Tracy Marcial, Bruce King, Natasha Lockett, and Courtney Carson.

Guests: Katherine Chen, and Laura Wehrley.

Meeting Minutes

	Topic	Outcome/Decisions	Action Items
I.	Call to Order	Call to order at 7:01 a.m.	
II.	Review agenda and April 6, 2023 minutes	No edits or comments.	
III.	Action Items - None	None.	
IV.	Announcements	Announcements • Bike to School Day – 05/18/2023 at 7:00AM	
V.	Discussion Items	 A. District Sustainability Goals – Tracy Marcial The Districtwide Sustainability goals has been separated in different years for completion such as 2025, 2030, and 2035. 	

- The 2025 goals are to have all the baselines in place for each other the goals. The measures of the current goals will be recorded from 2025 through 2035.
- Annual Sustainability Report provided by all the chairs of the campus Sustainability committees will be presented to the Governing Board for approval.
- The district is working on creating an Energy Dashboard for each of the campuses and District Office of the amount of energy usage in real time tracking.
- The district hired interns from SCI, a non-profit organization funded by PG&E, energy, sustainability, building, carbonization, electrification roles to be filled in the next few months located at Diablo Valley College.

B. Earth Day Event Review

- Earth Day Event had 25 organizations hosted tables, PG&E, Republic Services, and campus programs were tabling such as STEM, ASU, Culinary and Custodial. Food, raffles, games were hosted during the event.
- C. West Contra Costa Waste Management authority Recycle more Program Lisa Borreani Tabled

D. Sustainability Contra Costa - Laura Wehrley

- Katherine and Laura will be working with the interns on the Cleaner Contra Costa Challenge a 90-day sustainability challenge for the community to engage. The challenge will end May 15th.
- The organization is working on a challenge with 3 cities to focus on zero waste which are Lafayette, Orinda and Morada. The challenge is a 6week zero waste challenge which 125 people signed up. There are 2 actions that people can take to reduce the carbon footprint.
- Courtney Carson stated, "The Knox PAC might be able to do a mending day in our costume shop" posted in the chat.

		E. City of Richmond Water Management - Samantha Carr - Tabled F. Sustainability projects in the Culinary Department - Chef Nader - Tabled G. Compost and Recycling collection • Events has increased on campus and the recycling has increased as well. A student worker has been hired to assist with the sorting of the recycling on campus. H. Recycling updates in the City/ County/ District - Regan Chung - Tabled I. Aligning District Goals to CCC campus goals - delete due to duplication with discussion item A. J. Drafted CCC Annual Report on Sustainability - William Tandongfor • See attachment "2022-23 Annual Report on CCC Sustainability"	
VI.	Future Agenda Items	Mending Day in the Costume Shop – Courtney Carson Bike Repair Booth District Challenge for Trash Collection	
VII.	Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 7:34 a.m. Next meeting is September 7,2023 at 7:00 a.m.	

Contra Costa College 2022/2023 Annual Report on Sustainability

Contra Costa College has an active sustainability committee composed of students, faculty and staff. The college sustainability committee works with the district sustainability management team to foster sustainability initiatives across CCC campus.

We have made significant progress in the Year 2022-2023 as compared to 2021/2022, that was mostly interrupted by COVID-19 pandemic. Some of the accomplishments registered so far include but not limited to the following: **Accomplishments**

• **Zero Waste Initiative** – The implementation of the zero waste initiative on CCC campus began in April 2022. At the moment, we have completed implementation in the Science Center, SAB building, Fireside hall, the SSC, GE, AA, GLC, GA/GYM, Police office, and Buildings and Grounds buildings.

- Our next target is the Arts and Music buildings. We are working hard to become a Zero Waste sustainability campus by the end of the year 2023.
- Transportation CCC is currently planning to expand CV charging infrastructure to encourage faculty, staff and student to use/purchase EV. CCC Custodial, Athletics and the Police services have battery operated golf cards. The use of these medium of transportation improves air quality, and meet the campus sustainable initiative objective of a fuel efficiency environment. Bike to school day event is carried out at CCC every year. This event is promoting the use of bikes to school as a means of transportation.
- Water CCC is developing local benchmarks for portable water usage to include but not limited to, installing automatic faucets over sinks in restrooms and labs and automatic flushable urinal, and installing high efficient and water saving toilets. The college looks forward to improving on the existing sprinkler system with a modern remote system with wet sensor. These efforts potentially avoid water wastage and lowers cost of consumption.
- Curriculum The Districtwide Sustainability committee's goal is to seek to further integrate sustainability into the academic curriculum. The committee will solicit and evaluate feedback from faculty, staff, students and community organizations to monitor the effects of sustainability and energy conservation efforts on instructional programs and environment.
- **Food** Campus food service organizations plan to track their sustainable food purchases. This campus focused sustainability initiative is being discussed at the sustainability meetings. The chair of the culinary academy has expressed concern about the budget and cost of implementing sustainable food purchases.

- **Arbor Day Celebration 03/07/23** 10 more trees planted in the Culinary Garden. The rest of the event was hosted in the Aqua Tera Grill because of the rain that persistently occurred on this day.
- Earth Day Celebration 04/21/23 26 vendors/outside organizations hosted tables, offering games, food, giveaways, music & contests. As usual, we had invitees from the city of Richmond, San Pablo and several environmental organizations including PG&E, Republic Services, and Chevron. CCC alone had about 5-tables including College Foundation, Buildings and Grounds, Culinary department, Custodial department and the college Stem Program.
- The Bike to School Day 05/22/22 The committee hosted an Energy Station providing energy packs for all bikers. The next Bike to School event is scheduled for next month on 5/11/2023.

GRANTS

- CCC received a \$28,244.85 grant on the new Swimming Pool covers from Marin Clean Energy.
- Sustainability Committee received \$1000 from CCC College Foundation to support the purchase of more 3-stream bins for Zero Waste initiative on campus

GOALS

- Complete the implementation of phase of the Zero Waste initiative by December 2023.
- Encourage and attract more Faculty, students, and staff to get involved in our campus sustainability committee and initiatives.
- Reach out to sustainability organizations and stakeholders for more support and strategies to advance our campus sustainability initiatives.
- Continue to work with district sustainable management team on aligning districtwide goals to CCC campus goals.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this report.

Respectfully,
William Tandongfor
Custodial Services Manager &
Acting Sustainability Committee Chair