

Tuesday, September 17, 2019, 3:00pm, Goodwin Forum (NHE 102)

Chair Stephanie Burkhalter called the meeting to order at 3:03pm on Tuesday, September 17, 2019, Goodwin Forum, Nelson Hall East, Room 102; a quorum was present.

**Members Present**

Alderson, Bacio, Burkhalter, Cruz, Dawes, Dunk, Gonzalez, Gradine, Johnson, Karadjova, Kerhoulas, Malloy, Mola, Pachmayer, Parker, Pawlowski, Schnurer, Wilson, Woglom

**Members Absent**

Byrd, Creadon, Enyedi, Keever, Jackson, Maguire, Meriwether, Moyer, Thobaben, Zerbe

**Guests**

Simone Aloisio, Stephen St. Onge, Bernadette Cheyne,

**Announcement of Proxies**

Alderson for Moyer, Mola for Zerbe, Malloy for Creadon, St. Onge for Meriwether, Schnurer for Maguire, Aloisio for Enyedi, Bernadette Cheyne for Thobaben, Bacio for Keever, Wilson for Byrd

**Approval of and Adoption of Agenda**

M/S (Dunk/Woglom) to approve the agenda

Motion carried unanimously

**Approval of Minutes from the September 3, 2019 Meeting**

M/S (Schnurer/Alderson) to approve the Minutes of September 3, 2019

Motion carried unanimously

**Reports, Announcements, and Communications of the Chair**

- Written report attached.

Chair Burkhalter ceded the floor to Chief of Staff Sherrie Gordon to talk about the upcoming Presidential Investiture Ceremony.

Chief Gordon introduced herself, and stated the Investiture ceremony will be October 10 at 2pm, and all faculty are invited to participate in a procession similar to commencement. Chief Gordon asked faculty respond to Stephanie Lane, by October 1. She noted that faculty who need to rent regalia for the procession will be able to do so until Friday, September 20, and that all who RSVP will receive an email with more information a week before the ceremony. There will be a reception immediately following Investiture, then the Ingomar Club will host a

Scholarship Dinner for \$150 per person to support scholarships for local students. Chief Gordon noted that the President's website lists all information.

Senator Malloy relayed questions he'd been asked by constituents: how much is this costing the University and from where are the funds coming, especially now in this time of budget crisis?

Chief Gordon clarified that no money has been spent yet, and they are looking for faculty and student support for the program; she noted Chancellor White along with some staff will be attending, and that the University Advancement Office is still finalizing the Scholarship Fund, which will be filled with the monies collected at the Ingomar Club.

### **Reports of Standing Committees, Statewide Senators, and Ex-officio Members**

#### **Academic Policies:**

- Written report attached

#### **Appointments and Elections:**

Chair Burkhalter reported she will meet with the AEC on Friday, September 20.

#### **Constitution and Bylaws:**

- Written report attached

#### **Faculty Affairs:**

- Written report attached

#### **Integrated Curriculum:**

- Written report attached

#### **University Policies:**

- Written report attached

#### **University Resources and Planning:**

- Written report attached

#### **California Faculty Association:**

- Written report attached

#### **Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:**

- Written report attached

#### **ERFA:**

Bernadette Cheyne reported that "ERFSA" is now the abbreviation of the statewide organization; the HSU Coordinating Committee will be asking the ERFA membership to vote on

moving to an ERFSA (which includes staff) organization as well.

Senator Dunk suggested the Faculty Affairs Committee prioritize deliberating and perhaps developing a model to ensure compensation for lecturer service.

Senator Dunk stated his opinion that the University Resources Planning Committee (URPC) operates differently than the other standing Senate committees in that the URPC seems to make recommendations, and then tell the Senate about them, rather than asking the Senate to recommend on their behalf. He requested that the Senate discuss whether the process should change or stay the same. He shared that personally, he believes budget recommendations should go through the Senate, not just the URPC. He then suggested that the presentation from last meeting, given by Budget Director Amber Blakeslee, could have come to the Senate for review in a written report, which would've then allowed the Senate to deliberate and respond in the meeting, rather than hearing the information for the first time in meeting.

Parliamentarian Abell read aloud from the University Senate Bylaws and Rules of Procedure, Section 11.34i, the first duty of the URPC, "The Committee shall make recommendations to the Senate and, within the policy guidelines established by the Senate, advise the President and appropriate administrative officers concerning the allocation of university resources and general budget policy."

Senator Mola suggested that this section is the number-one clause for a reason—it is indicative of the import of this duty, though the committee has not been operating as intended.

#### **Consent Calendar from the Integrated Curriculum Committee**

It was noted there were no items on the ICC Consent Calendar

#### **General Consent Calendar**

It was noted there were no items on the General Consent Calendar

#### **TIME CERTAIN 3:15-3:30 PM – Open Forum for the Campus Community**

It was noted there were no guests signed up to speak during the Open Forum

#### **TIME CERTAIN: 3:30-3:45 – Report from the HSU Advisory Committee on Sustainability, by Climate Analyst Morgan King, and Dr. Kerry Byrne**

The attached report was presented to the Senate; King requested feedback from the Senators on the definition of "sustainability" and any other thoughts be directed to his email address, or to Dr. Byrne.

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M/S (Mola/Parker) motion to adjourn

**Meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm**

**HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SUSTAINABILITY**  
**2018-2019 ANNUAL REPORT**

I. Background

In Spring 2017 Vice President of Administration & Finance Joyce Lopes and Provost Alex Enyedi chartered the *HSU Advisory Committee on Sustainability (HACS)* to engage stakeholders and to make recommendations to the Administration for further implementing sustainability into the core focus areas of campus operations, academics, infrastructure and engagement. Since its inception in the fall of 2017, the committee's student, faculty and staff members have continued to meet once a month, with additional sub-committee work, to discuss and take action on the tasks set forth in the committee's charge.

The purpose of this annual report is to update the President, the Provost and the VP of Administration & Finance on committee accomplishments in the 2018-19 academic year, to specify goals and activities for the 2019-20 academic year, and to summarize specific recommendations to further sustainability into the core focus areas of the campus.

II. 2018 – 19 Membership

<i>Dr. Jim Graham</i>	Co-Chair	<i>Sasha Wallace</i>	Residence Life
<i>Morgan King</i>	Co-Chair	<i>Ron Rudebock</i>	Dining Services
<i>Isabel Sanchez</i>	Associated Students	<i>Katie Koscielack</i>	Office of Sustainability
<i>Karina Coronado</i>	CCAT	<i>Amber Blakeslee</i>	Budget Office
<i>Sara June Keilty</i>	WRRAP	<i>Holly Martel</i>	Office of Academic Affairs
<i>Thomas Premo</i>	Green Campus	<i>TallChief Comet</i>	Office of Sustainability
<i>Duncan Robins</i>	Athletics	<i>Dr. Sintana Vergara</i>	Environ Resources Engineering
<i>Dave Nakamura</i>	University Center	<i>Dr. Kate Lancaster</i>	School of Business
<i>Dr. Kerry Byrne</i>	Environ Science & Mgmt	<i>Dr. Nicholas Perdue</i>	Geography

III. Accomplishments

HACS completed the following activities since its first meeting in August of 2018:

1. Conducted campus outreach and compiled an inventory of existing goals related to sustainability. Sources for these goals included but were not limited to CSU policies, the HSU Climate Action Plan, the 2015-2020 Strategic Plan, Parking & Commuter Services Business Plan, Dining Services, Associated Students, Sponsored Programs, and others.
2. Drafted an initial *2040 Vision for Sustainability*, identifying long-term change (as desired by committee members) in operations, academics & research, engagement and community building.
3. Conducted an initial gap analysis between existing goals and the *2040 Vision*.
4. Developed a public-facing process to track and report on existing campus sustainability goals. This sustainability reporting dashboard website is expected to launch in the fall of 2019.
5. Wrote a letter to the HSU President Selection Committee requesting that they prioritize a commitment to sustainability in their evaluation of candidates.

6. Provided consultation to a graduate student (Environment & Community) on her thesis proposal. With guidance from the committee, the student will conduct her research on alternative transportation options and behaviors at HSU.

#### IV. Goals and Activities for AY 2019-20

HACS proposes to take the following actions in the coming academic year:

1. Complete and launch a public sustainability reporting dashboard, to be hosted on the HSU Sustainability website.
2. Support an education and outreach campaign to engage the campus community in supporting campus sustainability goals.
3. Give a presentation to the University Senate.
4. Introduce the new HSU President and his cabinet to the committee, campus sustainability goals, and efforts underway on campus and in the community.
5. Further seek synergies with other established groups on campus and in the community engaged in sustainability and support their efforts.
6. Continue to receive reports from the Office of Sustainability, faculty, and students on sustainability-focused initiatives, policies and programs, and provide advice and support to further the integration of sustainability into the core focus areas of campus.
7. Hold a minimum of one informational meeting per semester with the Provost and the VP of Administration & Finance.

#### V. Recommendation

While other CSU's have crafted and broadcast their own unique definitions of sustainability, HSU has yet to formalize its own definition of this critical concept. Last year the committee developed a definition of sustainability for HSU: *Sustainability is the recognition that humanity is a part of the natural world, not separate from it, and that healthy social and economic systems depend on the resilience of ecological systems.* The committee recommends that Provost Enyedi and VP Dawes champion HSU's adoption and publicity of this definition, and to actively engage with the committee in the future.

#### VI. Conclusion

The committee is charged with making recommendations on specific actions that the VP for Admin Affairs and the Provost can take to further the implementation of sustainability on campus. The committee is also available to receive requests if/when the administration has specific items the committee can support. We look forward to engaging with the administration in the coming year to forward HSU's sustainability goals and to reach towards carbon neutrality and resilience to the climate crisis.