Sustainable Steering Committee Meeting Minutes - 08/25/2023

Introductions

- All SSC members to introduced themselves, their role, department structure details, etc…
- Reviewed who was NOT at the table and discussed who might be a good addition
  - Student representation is must, perhaps student government

The Thread of Sustainability - Kori Donaldson

- Kori shared insights into how sustainability is woven into many different projects/bodies of work across CU and how the SSC could impact/be impacted by that work
  - The goal here was to further examine cross functional opportunities and the benefits of inclusion

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<td>Review of construction design documents</td>
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Committee Overview / Focus / Cadence

- Shared the standing “SSC Overview” document, ask for edits/updates before next meeting
- Lock in future meeting cadence and meeting run time
  - The group decided to table this for future meetings, but agreed to continue to me as often as possible as the reassembly progresses
- Collectively discuss the primary areas/goals this group should focus on
  - BHAG- Open and rapid fire discussion on Big Hairy Audacious Goals for the SSC-
    - Request a charge from the president
    - Seek to put the CU system back in the lead of US Higher Education Sustainability – How?
    - System wide efforts/goals/objectives
    - KPIs?
    - Sustainability = Climate – how do we answer/think/plan?
    - Do we have a theme? How do we build a narrative?
      - What are our dirty supply chain items?
    - Beef and Cement – LOOK INTO THESE
    - Building materials

Campus/PSC updates and priorities

- Each campus had an opportunity to run through their current priorities and any priorities/goals they have laid out for the upcoming 23/24 academic year
  - All Campus to give an update on their sustainability and climate action plans
- PSC-
  - Amazon
  - Dashboard/Sustainable Spend/GHG Impact measuring
  - Website updates
- UCCS-
  - UCCS will conduct a comprehensive sustainability assessment called STARS this fall and spring semesters. In conjunction with the assessment, we will perform a gap analysis and create a roadmap for future improvement
  - Assistance with collecting data for the purchasing category of STARS credits

RAN OUT OF TIME FOR ANYHTING FURTHER

- CU Denver-
- CU Boulder-

Legislative Updates / Impacts -

- Open forum for knowledge sharing surrounding legislation that may impact CU Sustainability work (Solar, Compost, Emissions, Carbon Neutrality, etc…)

Governance structure review -
Action items

- Meet again in next 2 months
- Review opportunities to adjust the committees charge and how to broaden the net of inclusion

Next meeting date/reminders

- TBA