

Academic Senate Sustainability Curriculum Fall, 2007 Progress Report

Agenda Items for 2007-08, The Year of Sustainability at Cal Poly

(Each agenda item has been tied to one or more Talloires Declaration (TD) action items)

Organize visioning workshop or charrette on sustainability at Cal Poly and report in Spring, 2008 (TD Action Items 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 9) – **ASSC Lead: Kate**

- Workshop is planned for February 23, 2008 with Ruth Rominger to serve as facilitator. Subcommittee met weekly to plan and determine focus of event. Subcommittee has also met twice with Provost Durgin and twice with Bruno Giberti to capture their input on the event.

Put forth a recommendation for an Office of Sustainability (work with Sandee Ogren on funding) (All TD Action Items, especially 6 and 10) – **ASSC Lead: Harvey**

- Recommendation and possible resolution are in process. Will be presented to the Sustainability Advisory Committee on 12/13/07 to solicit their response and support. Committee will determine how to move forward with both and will seek input from Provost Durgin early in Winter quarter.

Provide input on sustainability at Cal Poly concerning Access to Excellence (All TD Action Items, especially 1, 6, and 10) – **ASSC Lead: Margot**

- No action taken

Provide input on sustainability regarding WASC self study (All TD Action Items, especially 6) – **ASSC Lead: None**

- Received update from David Conn, no action needed at this point.

Provide support for and participate in relevant events, such as

Tony Cortese visit (TD Action Items 1, 6, and 7) – **ASSC Lead: Linda**

- Linda coordinated visit. Visit was well received. A standout event was the CLA session where in addition to the Dean and Associate Dean, 17 people attended. There were a number of new faculty and the Dean expressed her enthusiasm. Tony had a favorable impression of his meetings with President Baker, Provost Durgin, and Sandee Ogren and felt all understood that signing the President's Climate Commitment would help galvanize the campus. A number of follow-up items have been identified.

Focus the Nation (TD Action Items 1, 2, 5, 6, and 7) – **ASSC Lead: Steven and Ben**

- Event planning is well underway. Over 150 faculty have committed to engaging their students.

UC, CSU, CCC Sustainability Conference (TD Action Items 1, 2, 4, and 7) – **ASSC Lead: Margot and Neal**

- Margot presented planning update on 12/05/07 and asked for assistance. Committee will continue to support Margot.

Organize Earth Day events (ongoing) (TD Action Items 1, and 2) – **ASSC Lead: None**

- Matt Ritter has proposed inviting Jared Diamond to campus. Follow-up needed.

Develop the Cal Poly Sustainability homepage: sustainability.calpoly.edu, the portal for all things sustainable at Cal Poly (TD Action Items 1, 2, and 10) – **ASSC Lead: Lou and Harvey**

- Have developed an outline and determined minimum cost, will write proposal and request funding early Winter, 2008