

**To: Cal Poly Academic Senate**  
**From: Kate Lancaster**  
**Chair, Sustainability Committee**  
**Re: Fall, 2009 Progress Report**  
**Date: January 5, 2010**

The Committee met every other week during Fall quarter. In addition, there were extensive conversations and meetings amongst the committee members as well as with other stakeholders. 2009-2010 agenda items were developed by the committee and agreed upon by both the outgoing and incoming chairs of the Academic Senate. Most committee members were actively involved with the committee's activities.

2009-2010 Agenda Item	Progress Made During Fall Quarter
Work with CTL to provide Faculty Workshops designed to integrate sustainability into current courses	ASSC members Braun, Bodemer, and Lancaster conducted a workshop on Friday, November 13. Attendance was minimal. CTL felt furloughs have had a negative impact on attendance.
The Sustainability Book Club.	ASSC member Marx coordinates monthly meetings (First Friday of month, Library, Room 510, 10am-Noon. In Defense of Food (Pollan), The Necessary Revolution (Senge, et. al.), and Eating Animals (Safran Foer) were this quarter's books. Summaries of each are available at <a href="http://sbccalpoly.pbworks.com/FrontPage">http://sbccalpoly.pbworks.com/FrontPage</a> . ASSC Committee member Lancaster facilitated an activity based on tools from the Necessary Revolution.
Developing an assessment portfolio for the SLOs	ASSC members Braun and Lancaster met with Assessment committee. Doug Keesey met with committee to continue conversation and identify ways to collaborate with other assessment committees.
Website – rollout and maintenance	ASSC member Elliot has draft of website completed. Other committee members have provided feedback and recommended changes. This is an area that has been particularly impacted by furloughs and lack of support.
Suscat update	ASSC member Greenwald has been working with various stakeholders to determine most effective and thorough method to update. Still in progress.
First year experience	ASSC members Greenwald, Elliot, and Schwartz met with stakeholders to determine focus. Campus recruiting will provide list of companies that recruit, from which “sustainable companies” will be identified. This list can be used by Campus Housing to identify speakers.
Michael Pollan event	ASSC members staffed booth and provided materials on sustainability curriculum, minors, and learning objectives.
Sustainability Curriculum, Programs, and Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Continuing Education Dean Skip Parks met with committee regarding proposed Sustainability Certificate.</li> <li>– AED Dean Tom Jones met with committee to discuss sustainability-related strategic planning initiatives.</li> <li>– ASSC member Bodemer presented and solicited feedback on the Library's Sustainability Research site: <a href="http://libguides.calpoly.edu/sustainability">http://libguides.calpoly.edu/sustainability</a>.</li> <li>– Green Campus interns presented proposal for course credit for campus projects.</li> <li>– ASSC member Hartrich presented student led effort to initiate an “Education for Sustainable Living Program” on campus.</li> <li>– ASSC member Hartrich invited ASSC members to participate in Powerhouse stakeholder meeting</li> <li>– ASSC member Lancaster and others supported Student Club Net Impact November 19 event. Executives from IBM, Disney, and Starbucks spoke about their sustainability initiatives. This event led to a conversation with other stakeholders about a Cal Poly Sustainability Summit</li> </ul>