

**To:** Cal Poly Academic Senate  
**From:** Neal MacDougall  
Chair, Academic Senate Sustainability Committee  
**Re:** Fall Quarter 2012 Progress Report  
**Date:** December 13, 2012

The Committee met four times during Fall quarter. An informal work plan for 2012-2013 was developed based on input from the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate and agenda items for meetings were generated consistent with the work plan. Most committee members were actively involved with the committee's activities. Agendas and minutes of committee meetings are attached. What follows is a basic summary of the committee's work during the fall quarter of this 2012-2013 academic year.

#### **ASSC Committee Charge for 2012-13:<sup>1</sup>**

1. Continue assessing SLOs. **Due winter 2013.**
2. Continue work with ExecComm on sustainability requirement.
3. Develop resolution on CP Sustainability catalog – tag GE courses or SUSCAT courses as a sustainability requirement ~2015-17. **Due spring 2013 must have suggestions on what to incorporate.**
4. Work with students to better integrate approaches to sustainability inside and outside the classroom/curriculum. **Low priority.**
5. Promote/extend the Green Campus/Star Certification. **Low priority.**
6. Determine the role of sustainability in the University's strategic plan/action plan. **Low priority.**
7. Develop procedures and guidelines – needs more clear/explicit charge. **Low priority.**

#### **Progress on Committee Charges During Fall Quarter 2012**

1. Continue assessing SLOs. **Due winter 2013.**
  - Committee discussions ongoing.
2. Continue work with ExecComm on sustainability requirement.
  - No contact from ExecComm regarding current strategy or direction regarding sustainability requirement.
3. Develop resolution on CP Sustainability catalog – tag GE courses or SUSCAT courses as a sustainability requirement ~2015-17. **Due spring 2013 must have suggestions on what to incorporate.**
  - No action yet; waiting for input from ExecComm on strategy or direction regarding sustainability requirement (see previous item)
4. Work with students to better integrate approaches to sustainability inside and outside the classroom/curriculum. **Low priority.**

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<sup>1</sup> [www.academicssenate.calpoly.edu/content/acadsen\\_comm/sustainability](http://www.academicssenate.calpoly.edu/content/acadsen_comm/sustainability)  
(Updated October 2012)

- Ongoing discussion in committee – starting to develop formal strategy
- 5. Promote/extend the Green Campus/Star Certification. **Low priority.**
  - Assessment of Agribusiness Department almost completed
  - Developing plan for next department to be covered (probably Wine & Viticulture)
  - Request made to ExecComm regarding presentation to Senate re: Green Campus and next steps (as a follow-up to last year's resolution) but no response from ExecComm
- 6. Determine the role of sustainability in the University's strategic plan/action plan. **Low priority.**
  - Met with Debbie Read to assess current thinking of sustainability at university level especially in conjunction with development campaign.
- 7. Develop procedures and guidelines – needs more clear/explicit charge. **Low priority.**
  - Waiting for input from ExecComm as to what direction they think the ASSC should take in the future (as per the previous Senate Chair's suggestion)

*Note: Other issues were addressed in meetings but were not developed to any particular degree. They can be found by reading the minutes.*