

San Diego Miramar College
Environmental Stewardship Subcommittee

Meeting Agenda

May 7; 2:30-3:30 L-208

Members: Pablo Martin, Andy Lowe, Alex Mata, Virginia Naters, Betty-Anne Reichard, AnnaLiza Soriano Manzo, Rachel Halligan, Jamie Higgins, Luz Lopez, Sayeh Dehestani, Liz Hubert*, Evelyn Ono Vineberg*, Laura Gonzalez*, CL Caffrey*, Tenaya Bearmar*, Darrell Rankin*

* Non-voting Members, ** Guests

1) Call to order

2:31

2) Approval of agenda

This was overlooked (due to technological difficulties)

3) Approval of minutes from last meeting

4) Old Business

1. Earth Week reflection and ideas for next year
 - a. Start discussing Earth Week in January with separate meetings starting then, too
 - b. Perhaps elect a dedicated "Earth Week Chair"
 - c. The panels were excellent, especially the entrepreneurs panel because they were great speakers and it was very relevant to students' interests and needs.
 - d. We should consider including more entrepreneurs as future speakers as well as those involved in sustainable businesses
 - e. The extra credit helped. Perhaps next year we can offer examples or suggestions that faculty could provide their students in a number of different disciplines
 - f. The Teslas and condoms/population booth were both very popular for selfie shots
2. Recycling and Recycling Signs update (CL and Darrell)
 - a. Pablo shared that there is interest in ramping up recycling efforts and clear messaging about recycling on our various campuses
 - b. Members discussed the importance of improving the signage to promote recycling and to ensure that it is done effectively (i.e. not thrown out with the trash)

3. Take the Stairs update and funding discussion (Pablo and CL)
 - a. CL expressed frustration with campus delays in implementing the TTS campaign
 - b. Pablo will follow up with Brett to get an update on a timeline and reach out to potential funding sources
 - i. Alona Bermodes mentioned that the ASG might be able to fund some of these elevator posters
 - ii. At the Facilities Committee meeting I attended they recommended that we reach out to the Exercise Science folks
4. Reusable bags update (Jamie):
 - a. We are still waiting for feedback/an update from Joseph Hankinson
5. Vernal Pools and/or ESC Promotional Materials (Pablo, Jamie, Andy)
 - a. ESC members to submit story ideas to you. Don't want to give anyone false idea that the District will write what we think they should. And I think everything should funnel through you, as Chair.
 - b. Jack Beresford and Stephen Quis expressed interest in developing a story related to the Environmental Stewardship Committee
 - c. David Brooks expressed interest in creating a Miramar Vernal Pool video
 - i. Andy wrote: I believe that David made contact with one of the biology adjuncts that I suggested, Liz Ferguson. Her and I haven't had much of a chance to chat, but she did tell me that she participated in the video.
 - d. New Item: explore adding one or more native bee nest boxes for the vernal pool (Evelyn)
 - i. We didn't get around to discussing this item

5) New Business

1. Revisiting a community garden on campus (Laura)
 - a. We touched on this only briefly at the end of the meeting (as Laura had left), but Pablo shared the latest email about interest here on campus as well as aligning it with an AGRI class as well as Laura's one unit ANTH service learning courses
 - i. ESC members were invited to email me if they wanted access to any of the past documentation on this effort
 - ii. Pablo mentioned that he will establish one unit SUST service learning courses in the future that could also work with this project
2. Fundraising for the ESC (Laura, Pablo):
 - a. Laura is waiting to hear back from the district about the ESC being able to use the "voluntary paycheck contribution" form
 - b. The ESC earned roughly \$75 from the Rubio's fundraiser during Earth Week
3. Sustainability Club (Pablo, Tenaya)
 - a. Tenaya gave a thorough overview of her goals for a future student sustainability club (see appendix below)
 - i. The committee was very supportive of her club

4. Misc. Ideas:

- a. The ESC decided that we should loan ESC stoles to select students each year, starting with a selection process for “deserving students” in spring 2020
 - i. Laura and Gugi both offered to provide a stole for loan this year
- b. Batteries and Toner: the ESC should send out reminders about these on-campus disposal services on occasion (especially at the beginning and end of the academic year)
 - i. Pablo will send one out in Week 15 or 16
- c. Invite Joseph Hankinson, the Jet Fuel coordinator to share updates about Jet Fuel and similar projects on campus; if he’s unable to do so, the ESC can send a representative to attend the monthly meeting that he coordinates and report back to the ESC

6) Reports

7) Roundtable

8) Adjournment

3:32

Appendix

Sustainability Club Brainstorm (by Tenaya Bearmar)

Mission Statement -To contribute to sustainability on campus and in San Diego -To educate students about sustainability in their own life and in the world around them

What people would get out of this club -Education on how they can be more sustainable in their own lives -Current events (locally and globally) on sustainability/conservation -Help improve sustainability on campus -Garden club -Help in sustainability related classes -Participate in events around San Diego related to sustainability

Events Canyonlands restoration event -what would they do -do they accept groups -would students be interested

Mission Trails Regional Park -guided hike -Student interested?

Beach clean up -With organization or by ourselves? -Students interested? -Beach party afterwards

A talk with Anne Fege -On sustainability in San Diego -On what students can personally do -On what she does for San Diego -Students interested?

Locally grown dinner party -End of semester celebration

Tenaya Bearmar May 5th, 2019

-Go out for food or cook it up ourselves

Tour of the Natural History Museum -Rodney Hubshure offered to do this -Can he take a group of students? -Might depend on how many students are going -Maybe the Anthropology club can come too

Action on Campus Build a garden -Compost food from cafeteria and accept compost from the community -Donate produce to Jet Fuel program -get more information about building a garden, sounds like this would take a lot of effort and collaboration but it's a great idea! -Contact Laura Gonzalez for more info.

Understand what Miramar does for sustainability -Find out Miramars actions and initiatives and how that complies with San Diego's goals and other schools goals -Find what Miramar could improve on and take action on these -Be the student branch of the ESC

1. This could mean backing up ESC action items with a student body

Educate members on how they can be sustainable -If students join because they want to learn to compost, eat sustainably, go zero waste, (ect.) we can have discussion groups and informational meetings around this

Form study groups -The club might be useful tool for students that are environmental majors