

UNF Sustainability Committee Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2021

Call to Order

A meeting of the UNF Sustainability Committee was held on Thursday, November 18, 2021 via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Dr. Wallace Harris, Chairman.

Attendees

Dr. Wallace Harris (Chair), Physical Facilities	Jordan Maiden, Energy Coordinator, PHYSFAC
Kevin Anderson, Ogier Gardens	Nathaniel Rodefer, Student Government
Dylan Charles, Undergraduate Studies	William Smith, Sawmill Slough Preserve Curator
Joseph Lachina, Chartwells	James Taylor, Environmental Center Coordinator
Dr. Erin Largo-Wight, Environmental Center Director	Dr. Heather Truelove, Psychology Faculty

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the September 16, 2021 meeting were approved. October 21, 2021 meeting was canceled.

Agenda

Membership Update – Dr. Harris, no membership update. All the minutes and agendas up to the current year will be removed from the website sustainability page. There is an issue with previous documents not being in ADA compliance. The current minutes and agendas are ADA approved. The older documents will be stored on a SharePoint site.

Dr. Harris – Informed the committee that December meeting is canceled.

Campus LED Retrofit Update – Jordan Maiden updated the committee. There are 10 Buildings being completed in 3 phases. The entire project includes 3,215 2x4 fixtures, 728 2x2 fixtures, and 1,661 lamps. So far, 2,911 2x4 fixtures, 548, 2x2, and 1,585 lamps have been installed.

Dr. Harris – in response to a safety concern in parking garage 38 and 44. UNF going to change out all the lighting in those garages and increase the number of lumens and reduce the amount of wattage. This will take care of the safety concern and receive an energy saving.

Subcommittee Updates

Operations and Logistics – Amy Lehnhoff – No Update

Education and Research – Dr. Heather Truelove

Education - UNF does not have a major in environmental study. A student can build their own degree. One of the most popular build your degree program relates to environmental studies. There will be a proposal going forward to formalize this track related to environmental studies so students will have a clearer guideline.

Research – continually collecting sustainability data on campus regarding plastic consumption and reduction. Anticipate having an update on findings within the next few meetings.

Community Outreach and Student Experience – Nathaniel Rodefer

In October student government did a general body survey regarding likes and dislikes about UNF. This received over 600 responses. The data on survey will be published by Tuesday, November 23, 2021.

Sawmill Slough Preserve – William Smith

Met with Division of Forestry forty-five days ago. Several areas were mowed that they were concerned with high fuel hazard areas. Next year and the following year Grounds will start focusing on the north side (section NO1A) closest to Eco Road, will be mowing to help prevent in case of wildfire. Winter maintenance has begun in the trails. Several issues with dead and leaning trees across the trails. Still working on getting a loop trail around campus.

Member Updates:

Dr. Wallace Harris – discussed a proposal from Nikki MacPhee regarding solar powered charging umbrellas. The cost would be \$14,000.00, there's not enough money in the Pepsi Sustainability Fund. Physical Facilities would not be able to fund \$14,000.00. Dr. Harris asked Nathaniel Rodefer if student government would look at funding this project. Per Nathaniel, funding has closed and would have to wait to be looked at during spring semester. Nathaniel inquired if the Pepsi fund could pay a portion of the proposal. Dr. Harris will research several funding options and update the committee later.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.