

Rancho Santiago Community College District

Sustainable RSCCD Committee

Meeting Notes May 15, 2019

Members:	Carri Matsumoto	Present
	Bart Hoffman	Present
	Arleen Satele	Present
	Jim Kennedy	Present
	Jose Vargas	Present
	Kimo Morris	Absent
	Kelly Ro	Present
	Angela Guevara	Absent
	Aggie Kellett	Absent
	Ambar Nakagami	Present
	Leanna Nolan	Present
	Stephanie Yamoto	Present
	Luis Ortiz	Present
	Nicholas Valle	Present

Assistant Vice Chancellor Carri Matsumoto convened the meeting at 3:06 p.m. and self-introductions followed.

1. Committee Description and Committee Membership

Ms. Matsumoto noted the vacancies in membership. The current vacancies include one faculty member appointed by SCC Academic Senate, one student appointed by SAC Associated Student Government and one student appointed by SCC Associated Student Government.

2. Report on College Earth Day Events

Mr. Kennedy stated the Sustain-a-Palooza at Santa Ana College was well received by the campus and the students. He was pleased with the participants and praised Luis Ortiz for his hard work in leading and organizing the entire event. Mr. Ortiz added that the event was successful and well attended. He informed the committee members how ASG engaged and encouraged the students into participating in the event by earning points for the Earth Day promotional items. ASG promoted the bamboo utensils as a give-away to educate the participants on eliminating or reducing one time use and disposable products such as forks and spoons.

Mr. Valle expressed the Earth Day event at Santiago Canyon College had a great turn-out as well. Ms. Satele shared photos of the Earth Day activities with the group. She commented that a car enthusiasm group volunteered their time and vehicles to showcase the Tesla electric cars, and the number of members was impressive. Ms. Matsumoto agreed that events for both campuses were well received and well done.

3. Committee Focus: Reducing Plastic Use

Ms. Matsumoto asked the committee if they wanted to continue to focus on the campaign of reducing plastic use or change the campaign. The committee agreed that they wanted to continue to focus on this initiative next year.

4. 2018-2019 Status of Completed Programs and Projects/Achievements

Ms. Matsumoto informed the group that it was time to start collecting updates for the next SRC report. She stated, it requires time to gather information that covers two years and stressed how important it is start early. She noted the SRC report is based off goals identified and outlined different categories. Ms. Matsumoto asked the committee to identify all the achievements this year and e-mail them to her by June 30, 2019.

Ms. Matsumoto noted the Southern California Edison (SCE) just informed the District that SCE never properly billed the District on the actual electricity usage from the meters, which effects the electricity reports previously provided. Utility usage reports that were given out last year are probably inaccurate due to the incorrect data from SCE and new reports will be issued in Fall 2019 with the new data from SCE. Edison finally did a reconciliation for the Aquatic and Humanities buildings and produced new bills that changed the usage data and costs so the colleges may receive new bills for an increase in electricity cost for past historical use. Utility companies sometimes bill based off projected or past average uses if meters are not read or verified yet; which is why the billing and data can be in-accurate.

5. Approval of 2019-2020 Meeting Schedule

Ms. Matsumoto asked for a motion to approve the 2019-2020 meeting schedule. A motion was made by Mr. Vargas and seconded by Ms. Satele and approved unanimously.

6. Other

Photos from the college Earth Day events were shared with the committee.

Ms. Nakagami stated a student at Santiago Canyon College inquired when the campus will have an electric vehicle charging station. Ms. Matsumoto responded there will be two electric vehicle charging stalls incorporated into the Safety Department Portable Offices project, which is anticipated to be completed by end of 2019/beginning of 2020.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019, at 3 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room (#114) at the District Office.

Meeting Adjournment: 3:47 p.m.