

**COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

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Chair  
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Natalie Hansen  
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Michelle King  
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Kristin Lui-Martinez  
Asst Prof, Mathematics

Dawn Vaughn  
Assoc. Professor, Environmental Biology

Bruce Wyban  
Manager, Maintenance

**Student Representatives**

Sharon Nat  
AS Director of Sustainability

**Interested Parties (non-voting)**

Stuart Cooley, faculty  
Tram Dang, faculty  
Guido Davis del Piccolo, faculty  
Gillian Grebler, faculty  
Leslie Kawaguchi, faculty  
Amber Katherine, faculty  
Christyanne Melendez, faculty  
Eric Oifer, faculty  
Poliana Raymer, faculty  
Kaya Foster, Consultant  
Sam Mah, student  
Heather Haro, student  
Ana Laura Paiva, student

**Fall 2016 Meetings**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays 4:15 – 5:45 p.m.  
CEUS, 1744 Pearl Street  
Wednesday, 7 Sept  
Wednesday, 21 sept  
Wednesday, 5 Oct  
Wednesday, 19 Oct  
Wednesday, 2 Nov  
Wednesday, 16 Nov  
Wednesday, 7 Dec

# Environmental Affairs COMMITTEE

## AGENDA

5 October 2016

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comments
3. Approval of minutes
  - a. 21 September 2016 (page 2)
4. Finalize “Welcome” video topics list:
  - a. Environmental studies/science degrees
  - b. Sustainability awards
  - c. STP Program: PV, EE, RRM
  - d. Flagged green courses
  - e. EAC
  - f. SMC students w/ good green jobs
  - g. Sustainable Works
  - h. Green clubs
  - i. Earth Week/ Sustainability Week
  - j. AS Sustainability
  - k. OLG
  - l. Water filling stations, free bottles
  - m. **Transportation:** Any Time Any Line, Expo, Breeze, Bike repairs, Bikerowave, Bike Friendly university, Zipcar,...
  - n. **CEUS:** Green building, resources,...
  - o. **Facilities:** Green buildings, recycling, solar panels, zero waste, rain catchment system, composting, native plants, green chemicals, green businesses(TBY), water conservation, EV charging stations, EE projects, AACPU, AASHE, awards.
5. AA degree revisions session
  - a. Refer to College Catalog (pp. 119-122):  
<http://www.smc.edu/CollegeCatalog/Documents/2016-2017/16-17.SMCcatalog.FinalWeb.pdf>
6. Announcements
7. Adjournment

Environmental Affairs CommitteeMinutes Wednesday, 21 september 2016

**Attendees:** Alexandra Tower-Chair, Ferris Kawar-Vice Chair, Natalie Hansen, Michelle King, Kristin Lui-Martinez, Bruce Wyban, Kaya Foster, Caro – videographer, Steven Johnson – former Assoc. Students Director of Sustainability (2012-2013)

**Excused/Absent:** Garen Baghdasarian, Janet Harclerode

1. Call to order: 4:25 pm
2. Public Comments:
  - a. Kaya repeated her announcement about the film “The True Cost”, that Sustainable Works is promoting.
  - b. Alex introduced Steven, who wanted to visit the committee.
3. Approval of minutes:
  - a. Vote #1 – 7 September 2016 (see below for voting record)
4. Welcome video planning.
  - a. Kaya introduced to the committee the videographer who is willing to produce the video, Caro.
  - b. The committee watched the Welcome Video presented on Youtube by the Communications Department: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ZkHZ4D0xdM&feature=em-share\\_video\\_user](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ZkHZ4D0xdM&feature=em-share_video_user)
  - c. Committee discussed the desire to create a wholistic message about the campus-wide efforts toward greater sustainability
    - i. The committee brainstormed about topics that should be covered in the video. The following working list was compiled:
      1. Environmental studies/science degrees
      2. Sustainability awards
      3. STP Program: PV, EE, RRM
      4. Flagged green courses
      5. EAC
      6. SMC students w/ good green jobs
      7. Sustainable Works
      8. Green clubs
      9. Earth Week/ Sustainability Week
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    - ii. The committee agreed to continue on this list
5. Environmental Audit of the College
  - a. Ferris reminded the committee that it has been more than 10 years since the last audit.
  - b. The project is large enough that it will require hiring a consultant to do the audit.
    - i. Ferris is looking at REV Sustainability as the consulting group. It will be a 7-month project, during which Ferris helps to compile the information and produce a report.
    - ii. The cost is \$5500; the committee suggested possible sources for funding: AS, interested depts.
    - iii. The committee suggested that we work toward achieving a STARS rating simultaneously.

6. Planning session for the AA degree revision:
  - a. Degree renovations - Completed new environmental AS degree that will transfer over to top universities
  - b. "Welcome Video" about environmental studies-related opportunities on campus.
    - i. Highlight the majors, RRM certificates, Earth week and sustainable works etc. ( similar to Communications department YouTube video:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ZkHZ4D0xdM&feature=em-share\\_video\\_user](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ZkHZ4D0xdM&feature=em-share_video_user))
7. Announcements:
  - a. Sustainability week schedule of events discussed (17-21 October).
    - i. Campus clean-up to be held on Wednesday, 19 October.
    - ii. Educating the population about the upcoming election - concerning candidates and the issues on the ballot.
  - b. Coastal Cleanup Day, Sep 17.
    - i. Led by Ferris Kawar and Alexandra Tower
    - ii. 400 volunteers, 126 lbs of garbage, recycling, hazardous waste and compostables were collected.
    - iii. Approximately 40 SMC students from a variety of ICC clubs, CEUS and the President's Ambassadors helped to manage the site adopted by SMC.
8. Meeting adjourned. 5:30 (see below for voting record)

**Environmental Affairs Committee Attendance & Voting**

Date: <u>9/21/2016</u>		Vote 1			Vote 2		
		4:30pm			adourn		
		mins: 9/7/2016					
		yes	no	Abstain	yes	no	Abstain
Voting Members		arrival					
Alexandra Tower, Chair	4:15 PM	x			x		
Ferris Kawar, Vice Chair	4:15 PM	x			x		
Garen Baghdasarian							
Natalie Hansen	4:15 PM	x			x		
Janet Harclerode							
Michelle King	4:15 PM	x			x		
Kristin Luis-Martinez	4:22 PM	x			x		
Dawn Vaughn	4:40 PM				x		
Bruce Wyban	4:15 PM	x			x		
Student Representatives							
Sharon Nat							
Interested Parties (non-voting)							
Faculty:							
Caro - videographer	4:15 PM						
Kaya Foster, consultant	4:15 PM						
Interested Students:							
Total							
1st		Kristin	Natalie				
2nd		Ferris			Ferris		