#### **Meeting Minutes**



Meeting Date | 04.04.2022

To | Hussain Agah, Mehran Mohtasham, Myra Nava

1650 Spruce Street, Suite 300 Riverside, CA 92507

From DLR Group

Location via ZOOM

Project | RCCD: Sustainability and Climate Action Plan / IEMP / TCO

Project No. N/A

Attendees Mehran Mohtasham, Linsey Graff, Lindsey Perez, Hussain Agah, Virgil Lee, Kimberly Bell, Claudia Figueroa, Kim Kamerin, Aneesa Kashif, Barbara Moore, Michael Bobo,

Dr. Michael Collins, Courtney Buchanan, Daren Koch, Torria Davis, Ashley Etchinson, Susan Finley, Monica Green, Hayley Ashby, Dominique Hitchcock, Jody Tyler, Amy Kramer, Marie Hicks, Melissa Bader, Lisa Nelson, Patty Worsham,

Quinton Bemiller, Sigrid Williams, Vivian Harris, Dana White, Alex Zadeh.

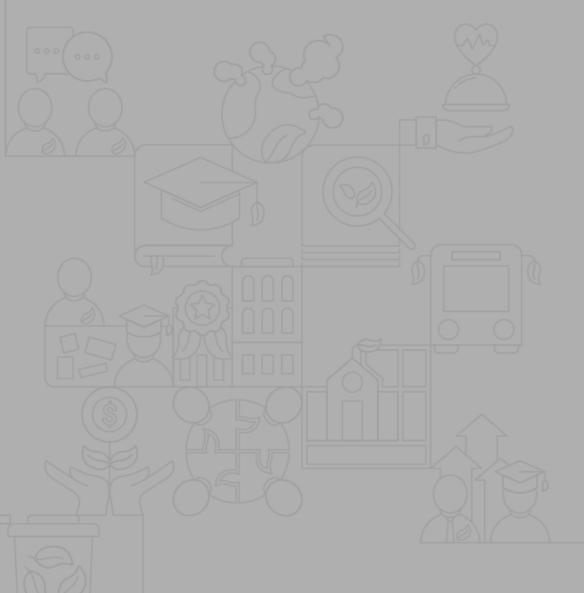
Purpose | Norco College Academic Senate - Sustainability and Climate Action Plan Update

#### Minutes:

- See Attached Slides Presented.
- Discussion
  - 1. Question: how are you accounting for so many of us now (and the past 2 years) working from home online thus drawing on personal electrical, water and waste usage vs on campus?
    - a. We have been collecting the past five years of utility data for each of the colleges. This will allow comparisons between years and allow us to establish a baseline to improve upon.
  - 2. Waste a lot of water on the campus where the grass is located.
    - a. Has there been any discussion to think about California Native plantings on campus such as California pollinators? There could be value in connecting to classes, such as Botany and Field Botany classes.
      - i. Yes, this has been discussed and accounted for in Water and Eco-systems Impact Area.

        Another opportunity for Signage and engagement providing the "why" those native plants are there to increase sustainability literacy on campus.
  - 3. Considering our climate is everchanging how is the change around us impacting the plan. For example, nearby there used to be a flood plain which is now all concrete.
    - a. This is very much related to impact of choices made and the impact upstream and downstream. This is part of the Decarbonization and Climate Justice impact area.
  - 4. How are the Water goals being measured and communicated? How would an occupant understand if water used on campus, such as sprinklers, is in line with the goals of the plan?
    - a. Engagement is an impact area and the campus outreach would need to be part communicating action and education to campus occupants.
  - 5. What is driving this action at RCCD and the sustainability committee?
    - a. RCCD Board policy (1557)
      - i. Sustainability and Environmental responsibility
        - Past actions and policies were last updated in 2011
        - RCCD is using the the state chancellor's office BOG sustainability policy as a guideline to create its own.
        - RCCD recognizes that it is important for this institution to live the sustainability and develop inspired and achievable level of actions to the ongoing climate crises

2022 SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE **ACTION PLAN** 



RCCD | RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY

## **Scope and Deliverables**



# Sustainability and Climate Action Plan

Establish an implementable roadmap towards holistic sustainability goals which sets RCCD up as a leader in addressing Environmental Stewardship and Climate Change.



#### Integrated Energy Master Plan

Establish an implementable roadmap towards Carbon Neutrality at each campus.



#### Total Cost of Ownership Model

Develop a framework for costeffective decision-making that identifies human and capital resources needed to address goals of the SCAP and IEMP.



#### **AASHE Stars Report**

Establish a roadmap toward peer group recognition of your sustainability efforts. AASHE Stars is a third-party reporting framework connecting sustainability in the built environment and academics.

# **Our Project Schedule**

Board Approval – Fall 2022

			2021				2022				<b>—</b>		Project Complete May 31, 2023
				Oct.	Nov.				Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	
TASK 1: Project Initiation		TASK 2 Research and					TASK 3: Implementation Phase					TASK 4: Verification and Monitori	
			VALUES and Vision					Action Plan and Implemental on			Final Plan		
									Dashboard	Draft Plan	Final Plan	Final Approvals	_
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We are here.

# **Project Updates**





SCE SOCAL GAS FPPS

AASHE Membership!

Dashboard Mania

Partnerships

### Review

# Our Planning Framework

# **OUR PLANNING FRAMEWORK: Organizing the VALUES** (Our Why)

#### Included

Includes the creation of goals and metrics within the S-CAP



Decarbonization and Climate Justice









Resiliency

#### Influenced

Would be included in an update with a sustainability lens / new plan







Planning and metrics already exist in other plans





Equity and Social Justice

Innovation and Leadership (ALL) **VALUES AND OTHER FRAMEWORKS AASHE Stars** CCCCO **Your Top VALUES** Decarbonization, Energy Use, and Climate Justice **Operations Operations** Waste / Procurement Water **Eco-systems** Health and Gap Gap Well-being Resiliency **Academic and Curriculum Academics Academics Engagement Engagement** Community **Engagement Partnerships** Trust and **Transparency** Planning and Administration **Planning and Administration Equity and Social Justice** 

#### Impact Area

**IMPACT AREAS** are the top VALUES as created collectively by the District and Colleges.





















**ACTIONS** are the initiatives that it will take to get meet your goal / outcome

Actions (per objective)



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GOALS AND OUTCOMES establish aspirational thinking that the District and Colleges will work toward. These were established by cross-referencing System and Stars frameworks with Impact Areas.

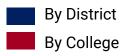
**OBJECTIVES outline measurable actions** were established by from District and Campus engagement, System mandates, and HiEd best practices.

**MEASURES** align with the objectives to manage what success will look.

**METRICS** outline how the objective will be measured based on the data available or data required.

**MILESTONES** represent the timeline associated with each objective. These outline short-, mid-, and long-term strategies.

**RESILIENCY** overlays risk-management and the five dimensions of resiliency (Ecosystem, Financial, Human Health, Infrastructure, Social) into each Impact Area



Let's Dive In!

# Discuss Impact Areas

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#### Waste

#### Goal: Achieve zero waste to landfill by 2025.

Objectives, and Bold Steps

Recyclables and Waste Minimization

Increase diversion rates for non-construction waste. Reduce the total weight of non-construction waste.

BOLD STEPS: Conduct Waste Categorization Assessment; Conduct total material consumption benchmark

Construction Waste

Increase construction waste diversion rate from landfill.

BOLD STEPS: Set stricter requirements for contractors that align with the District's sustainability goals

Organic Waste

Increase diversion of dining and landscape wastes from landfill.

BOLD STEPS: Establish an organic waste diversion program in primary dining location

Hazardous Waste and E-Waste

Create programs and systems for hazardous and e-waste.

BOLD STEPS: Benchmark programs that dispose of all hazardous, universal, and non-regulated chemical waste

**Durable Goods** 

Increase opportunities to share and donate durable goods.

BOLD STEPS: Establish a comprehensive durable goods sharing/donation program

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Procurement

#### Increase sustainable purchasing.

BOLD STEP: Work with procurement to inventory the districts and each colleges 'environmentally preferable purchases for highly used items in alignment with State procurement best practices.

### **Eco-Systems and Water**

# Goal: Substantially increase water-use efficiency.

Objectives, and Bold Steps

# Decrease water-use (potable and non-potable water)

BOLD STEP: Through sub-metering and other irrigation control systems, identify water usage for each building and landscape irrigation systems of 2,500 sf or greater.

#### Goal: Improve stormwater quality.

Objectives, and Bold Steps

#### Prevent stormwater pollution and raise awareness.

BOLD STEP: Adopt the CCC Model Stormwater Management Program, meeting Minimum Control Measures (MCMs)

- MCM 01: Education and Outreach on Storm Water Issues
- MCM 02: Campus Community Involvement and Participation
- MCM 03: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
- MCM 04: Construction Site Storm Water Runoff Control
- MCM 05: Post Construction Storm Water Management in New Development and Development
- MCM 06: Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping for Facilities Maintenance and Operation

## **Eco-Systems and Water**

#### Goal: Enhance biodiversity through Land Management

Objectives, and Bold Steps

Practice ecological landscape management.

Rewild undeveloped areas

**BOLD STEP: Develop an Integrated Pest Management Program** 

**BOLD STEP: Perform a biodiversity survey** 

# **Health and Well-being**

Goal: Create a culture of health and well-being for Riverside Community College District.

Objectives, and Bold Steps

**Employee Programs** 

Provide comprehensive employee wellness initiatives and education encompassing physical, mental and spiritual health.

BOLD STEP: Create employee satisfaction survey based on a selected framework on health and well-being for employees.

Student Programs

Provide comprehensive student wellness programs and education encompassing physical, mental and spiritual health.

BOLD STEPS: Create student health and well-being satisfaction survey based on existing health and well-being frameworks.

Physical Space

Increase the amount of indoor and outdoor space available to the RCCD community dedicated to supporting wellness.

- Campus community gardens
- Improved outdoor spaces for physical activity including walking trails.
- Improved outdoor spaces for education or breaks.
- Continuous monitoring of Indoor/ Outdoor Environmental Quality at each college to better understand air quality, acoustic comfort, traffic impact, weather, etc.
- Healthy Campus Framework

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Equity and Social Justice

#### Goal: Increase sustainability literacy on campus and community.

In alignment with future planning, partnership with Faculty Senate and Academic Leaders

Courses

Increase availability of academic courses on or related to sustainability.

**BOLD STEP: Conduct an inventory to identify sustainability course offerings** 

Learning Outcomes

Increase the percentage of students who take a course with a sustainability learning outcome.

BOLD STEP: Conduct an inventory to identify sustainability learning outcomes and how many students are enrolled within these courses

Campus as a Living Lab

Implement Opportunities to use the Campuses as Living Labs.

BOLD STEP: Create college task forces to brainstorm, plan, and implement short-term solutions for using the campus as a teaching tool

Degree Programs

Offer degree programs focused on sustainability. (AA, AS)

BOLD STEP: Form a working group for curriculum development across disciplines and course articulation with University partner institutions

Goal: Expand the RCCD community's knowledge of sustainability to be inclusive of social, economic, and environmental factors while promoting resource conservation and socially just behaviors.

In alignment with future planning for community and campus outreach

Campus Outreach

Increase the number of opportunities for campus stakeholders to be exposed to sustainability

**BOLD STEP: Set up campus sustainability websites** 

**Increase Sustainability Literacy for Campus Users** 

BOLD STEP: Conduct a Sustainability Literacy Assessment per AASHE Stars guidelines

Community Outreach

Establish opportunities for RCCD to collaborate in the community

BOLD STEP: Establish a formal campus/district/community partnership to advance sustainability

# Thanks, Questions?