

Staff Council Standing Committee Minutes

Committee Name: Environmental Sustainability

Meeting Date and Place: Wednesday, June 12, 2023 via Zoom

Members Present: Sharina Desai, Yadeeh Sawyer, Alison Kionka, Amie Ortiz, John

Shaski, Carla Sakiestewa, Kolt Vaughn, Joanne Kuestner,

Excused Absent: Leo Lucero

Members Absent: Guests Present:

Minutes Submitted by: Sharina Desai

	Subject	Item	Notes
1.	Call to Order	Chair Sharina Desai	Meeting started at 1pm
2.	Indigenous Peoples' Land and Territory Acknowledgement	Founded in 1889, the University of New Mexico sits on the traditional homelands of the Pueblo of Sandia. The original peoples of New Mexico Pueblo, Navajo, and Apache since time immemorial, have deep connections to the land and have made significant contributions to the broader community statewide. We honor the land itself and those who remain stewards of this land throughout the generations and acknowledge our committed relationship to Indigenous peoples. We gratefully recognize our history.	Read by Sharina Desai
3.	Approval of Agenda		
4.	Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes		
5.	Unfinished Business	 a. Basic Annual Training Module for Waste & Recycling Ski shared updates that the EOD Basic Annual Training will include a waste and recycling component for calendar year 2024 Ski is working on getting more content together before setting up a meeting with Bonnie Minkus to develop a module for Learning Central based on content he has from standing flyer and PPT for UNM/HSC – Sustainable Solid Waste 	 a. Need to add 1) QR codes to flyers 2) short urls (GoTo.unm.edu) to electronic version of flyers 3) better pictures
6.	New Business	 a. Carla Sakiestewa is stepping down as co-chair of committee b. Call for new co-chair c. Member Leo Lucero is leaving UNM d. Need to design poster for recruitment e. (Yadeeh) Important to REDUCE & minimize our footprint f. Connect action with impact Personally & Institutionally g. (Sharina) Use this committee to connect standing entities on campus Need official language to approach/invite others h. How do we change POLICY to incentivize "reduce/reuse" practices?: Talk to Grace/Ivan Ex: (Ski) Global/National scale approach: Pay as you go to throw away waste. (ex. Popejoy Hall 	

		produces thousands of extra program flyers)	
		 i. Invite Sustainability Dept to our next meeting • Ask that each member invite a guest entity to share with our group. (each person pick a month) 	
7.	Announcements	 a. Kolt (EHS) ex Office of Medical Investigator. Received variance to dump formaldehyde as hazardous waste into water waste steam. Looked at 2040 (sustainability) goals and was able to NOT allow dumping of formaldehyde into water waste (which is not treated by water treatment facility). b. Amie (Admin for Procurement): Purchasing / Surplus / Copying have incentives for "Green Practices" 	a.
8.	Adjournment	Next meeting Wednesday August 2, 2023 at 1 pm via Zoom	Meeting adjourned at 2 pm