## Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Sustainability (CACS) Thursday, March 2, 1:00pm-2:30pm Room 20, California Hall

## **MINUTES**

<u>Attendees:</u> Veronica Wong, Amir Karkia, Mary Thomasmeyer, Alex Butler, Sharon Daraphonhdeth, Michael Cupp, Nina Jhunjhnuwala, Diane Mayo, Greg Haet, Lin King, Hilary Bekmann, Kira Stoll, Lisa McNeilly

## Welcome and Introductions

<u>CACS Sustainability Awards and Summit</u> – The Summit will be on April 20, 2:30-4:00 in Crossroads dining hall. In addition to the poster session, the Sustainability Awards will be announced. Cal Dining is hosting their annual Earth Day theme meal immediately after the Summit.

The Summit has been added to all members calendars – please feel free to invite others using the same calendar entry.

The deadline for nominations for the Sustainability Awards is March 17, and the application is posted <u>on-line</u>. Please consider nominating someone you know and sharing out the award information to colleagues. The Awards formally recognize contributions of those helping the campus to meet its sustainability goals, and are awarded annually to faculty, staff, and students in recognition of their work. Nominations can be made for groups, projects, or individuals. <u>Applications</u> are now being accepted. Deadline for submittal is 5pm on Friday, March 17, 2017 – email completed submittals to <u>sustainability@berkeley.edu (link sends e-mail)</u> Please send any questions to the same email address.

Amir Karkia, Michael Cupp, Greg Haet, and Carla Prado (Supply Chain Management) volunteered to be members of the Award Subcommittee. They will meet on Friday, March 24, 1:00-2:30 to select the awardees.

Zero Waste communication planning – Lin King shared information on the system-wide Zero Waste Summit held earlier in March. Their work was to better define and interpret the current goals, and the group reached consensus in several areas: separating construction and demolition waste into a separate category, defining zero waste as achieving a 90% diversion rate, and limiting the use of incineration and gasification as means to divert waste. Please contact Lin or Hilary Bekmann if you have any questions.

The Committee also discussed ways to coordinate the efforts of student groups, staff, and others on the new MyLastTrash communications campaign. A follow-up meeting between staff and students on March 3 is scheduled to further explore these opportunities.

Report and discussion on briefing book for new Chancellor – Several Committee members shared thoughts on the current draft of the Chancellor's briefing book. These will be incorporated into a new draft that will be shared out in mid-March.

<u>Presentation on Carbon Neutrality Initiative</u> – Kira Stoll gave a short and informative presentation on the campus progress toward carbon neutrality. While the campus emits less than other large institutions, we will still need to reduce its emissions by 80% by 2025 to meet this goal. Kira initiated a discussion of ways CACS could engage and help highlight Berkeley's contributions to carbon neutrality. Please send any questions or suggestions to Kira.

Questions and Announcements – None.