

San Diego Miramar College
Environmental Stewardship Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 9/1/20; 2:00-3:00 via Zoom (Meeting ID: 967 7949 1819)

Members: Gail (Teresa) Warner, Pablo Martin, Andy Lowe, Alex Mata, Virginia Naters, Betty-Anne Reichard, AnnaLiza Soriano Manzo, Rachel Halligan, Alisa Peshina, William Wyatt

Permanent Guests: Liz Hubert, Evelyn Ono Vineberg, CL Caffrey, Melissa Martinez, Sheila Madrak, Laura Gonzalez, Daphne Figueroa

Guests:

Zoom session recording:

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1) Call to order

2) Approval of agenda

3) Approval of minutes from last meeting

4) Business

1. SDCCD and Miramar Energy Use

a. Energy consumption was significantly reduced (see "2019 2020 SDCCD Energy Comparison.xlsx")

b. *I am also asking for more specific data, as CL wanted to look specifically at reductions in energy use for elevators?*

- i. Ask vendors to sell these reusable aluminum water bottles on campus instead of plastic water bottles
 - ii. Perhaps the college could subsidize the cost of these?
 - d. We need to maintain and increase the number of water dispensers on campus
 - i. If we ask the college to stop selling water, we will definitely need to have clean and functional water dispensers
 - ii. The water dispensers on campus work, but the water fountains are turned off
 - 1. Water dispensers are much more sanitary than fountains**
 - iii. We don't have enough dispensers or fountains
5. Discuss "A Call For Action: Resources and Knowledge Base to Act on Black Lives Matter"
- a. How can the ESC effect positive change in our committee and on campus?
 - i. Intersectional environmentalism:
 - 1. How do poor households buy local food, healthy food?
 - 2. Environmental justice
 - 3. Melissa's BIOL 210B is vocal and passionate—perhaps we can invite them to discuss their POV as students:
 - a. Are environmental causes speaking to them?
 - b. Are environmental causes accessible to them?
 - 4. Maybe we could survey our students: how can we better reach and invite them to participate in environmental causes?
 - 5. Be sensitive—"be green when you can" because some folks don't have the bandwidth for these issues when they are poor, stressed, overworked.
 - 6. Certain green habits are signs of wealth, prestige, and "being hip"
 - 7. We need to be careful not to appropriate the foods and behaviors of others in our efforts
 - 8. Even when teaching nutrition (i.e. GMOs), we need to be sensitive to the complexity of the subject—golden rice is technically a GMO, but it feeds a lot of poor people around the world

5) Reports

Melissa: We hosted a Zoom session in April en lieu of Earth Week Events. The focus of the event was plant-based foods.

6) Roundtable

7) Adjournment