



ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

November 1, 2023

Minutes of the Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee, held via MS Teams, at
Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops, B.C.

HEADING	ITEM / DISCUSSION	ACTION
Present (voting):	Brad Harasymchuk (Chair), Bridget Chandakasarira, Catherine Tatarniuk, Christine Adam, John Church, Kai Bauman, Poonam Poonam, Shelley Church, Vernie Clement	
Present (non-voting):		
Guests:	Sandra Jasinowski, Spencer Nevacshonoff	
Regrets (voting):	Elder Mike Arnouse, Heather MacLeod, James Gordon, Maria Buff, Robyn Hollas, Scott Blackford, Warren Asuchak	
Regrets (non-voting):	Anna Rogers, Carolyn Ives, Natalie Yao, Pete Arkesteyn, Sierra Rae,	
Recording Secretary:	Lora Sartori	
CALL TO ORDER	Brad Harasymchuk in the Chair. The meeting, being duly constituted for the conduct of business, started at 12:05 p.m.	
WELCOME & Territorial Acknowledgement	Brad conducted the Territorial Acknowledgement. A round of introductions.	
ADOPTION OF AGENDA & MINUTES	The November 1, 2023 Agenda was unanimously adopted as presented (Catherine Tatarniuk motion/Shelley Church 2 nd). The October 4, 2023 Minutes were adopted as presented (Christine Adam motion/Shelley Church 2 nd).	

MOTIONS

a. **Biodiversity Subcommittee ToR for ESAC Approval – Shelley Church**



ToR Biodiversity
Sub Committee appi

Tabled to December ESAC meeting.

b. **Zero-Waste Subcommittee ToR for ESAC Approval – Anna Rogers**



Terms of Reference
- 2023.docx

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PRESENTATIONS

a. **None**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

a. **Student Co-Chair – Brad Harasymchuk**



Student Co-Chair
Guidelines Overview



1A-UA-A-P-SCC-Stu
dent CoChair Frame

Bridget and Poonam have discussed with Brad.

Poonam has put her name forward to be a co-chair. Poonam and Brad will develop a draft document of how to move forward together.

Chris A. and Sarah W. will be happy to meet with Brad and Poonam regarding a Student Success List.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

a. **Awards Sub-Committee – Report by Chris Adam and Brad Harasymchuk**

New Award Herbinlay will be added to the website.

Website is being updated.

Cutoff is February 26, 2024 for all Sustainability Awards.

At next meeting will request ESAC members to push out the award information.

b. ESAC Zero Waste Sub-Committee – Anna Rogers

No Report.

c. ESAC Sustainable Purchasing Sub-Committee.

Report by James Gordon, Chair.

No Report.

d. ESAC Core Theme Planning Committee

No update around Mission Fulfillment and Core Theme Planning.

Looking to see who will replace Alana Hoare with respect to the Mission Fulfillment portion of her portfolio.

e. ESAC Biodiversity Sub-Committee – Report by Shelley Church

Biodiversity will piggy-back on ESAC Faculty council presentations.

Nicholas Read did a 1 minute video that will be shown at Faculty Council meetings. Video will be on the ESAC and Sustainability website when done.

Tree App for the campus will be in testing phase soon.

Biodiversity Opportunities for the website.

iNaturalist App – Spencer working with the Sustainability Ambassadors to do a Bioblitz.

James working with Courney Mason to become a “Bee City”.

Trying to recruit new members.

**f. TRU Sustainability Education in the Curriculum
Sub-Committee – Carolyn Ives**

Carolyn was unable to attend the meeting. She did share the following:

We are scheduling a December strategic planning workshop to consider our goals and projects for the next three years. The workshop will take place on December 11 from 12-2. New members are always welcome!

**MANAGER OF
SUSTAINABILITY
PROGRAMS
REPORT**

Report by James Gordon, Manager of Sustainability Programs

No Report

**ENERGY
PROJECTS REPORT**

Report by Natalie Yao, Energy Manager

No Report.

**CAMPUS
INFRASTRUCTURE
REPORT**

Report by Maria Buff, Director of Capital Projects

No Report

NEW BUSINESS:

a. ESAC Report to Senate – Brad Harasymchuk



ESAC Report to
Senate 2023.pdf

Brad presented to Senate. See attached report.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

NEXT MEETING

December 6, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 12:29 p.m.