Sustainability Meeting, November 28, 2016

Attendees: Sandy Berry-Lowe, Jim Spice, Cynthia Norton, Tracy Gonzales-Padron, Kevin Gilbert, Steve Jennings, Daphne Greenwood, Carole Huber, David Havlick, Linda Kogan, Nanna Meyer, Nancy Moore, Margaret Scott, Carole Huber, Armand and Myriah from Sustainability Office, Hannah Smith from SWELL

Special Workshop (Led by Sustainability Office): Sustainability at UCCS: Next Steps

Discussion centered around the next steps for UCCS Sustainability: on one hand maintaining the 2020 Strategic Plan trajectory, however, evaluating what has been done well, what has been done to some degree but needs improvement, and what has not been done but continues to be important. Further, the workshop emphasized big issues for UCCS Sustainability, that may have not been addressed or were and then dropped. And finally, the workshop also integrated the STARS report and where UCCS could win some points, at the same time as moving UCCS Sustainability forward, thus, leveraging both UCCS’s continued progress in Sustainability as well as the academic commitment recognition through STARS. The workshop will continue on January 30th, 2017.

The Sustainability Office color-coded the current strategic plan to indicate levels of accomplishments and STAR rating potential. This plan is now on one drive and has been shared with the committee as a working document. If you like access please contact Nanna Meyer at nmeyer2@uccs.edu.

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To be continued
January 30th, Sustainability Meeting 11.30-1pm at UCCS Farmhouse with Lunch

Next Steps
1. Continue to work on Strategic Plan to discuss and identify high priorities
2. Sustainability Committee members and others interested in joining are asked to identify 3 priority areas for which the committee may develop working groups (By end of Jan 30th meeting)
3. Provide additional information, actions to current strategic plan’s outcomes and current STARS report which may not yet be captured
4. Other low hanging fruit? What can we do better easily with a big impact?
5. Big projects that provide big STARS vs big projects to ensure sustainability is part of UCCS’s future
6. Regents update vision statements. Can we submit a recommendation?
7. Some things worked very well…food, operations, minor…why do these things happen? Add column to capture known ‘enablers and inhibitors’ on document