University Sustainability Committee

July 19, 2018

Members Present: Dr. James Bridgeforth, Todd Culp, William Guess, Cecelia Martin, Mary Beth Massey, Brantley Cook (SGA)

Members Absent: Dr. Glen Borchert, Dr. John Cleary, Victor Cohen, Baily Hoffman (Student Sustainability), Dr. Krista Harrell, Dr. Doug Marshall, Diana Nichols, Brad Sanders, Dr. Stephanie Smallegan

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. by Dr. James Bridgeforth.

Old Business:

- 1. The minutes for the June 21, 2018 meeting were approved.
- 2. Update on Lime: Dr. Bridgeforth reported. There was a conference call on Monday, July 16, 2018 with Diana Nichols, Dr. Bridgeforth, Dr. Krista Harrell and a LimeBike representative. There will be a total of 500 bikes coming to Mobile, AL with 200 of those bikes going to the USA campus. A representative from LimeBike will deliver the bikes on the morning of August 15th and 70% will be distributed close to the housing area. Dr. Harrell still remains the point of contact for the University.
- 3. Compartment Trailer for Football Games: William Guess has agreed to fund the transportation costs for the trailers to be driven to Ladd Stadium. Mary Beth Massey reported that Dr. Joel Erdmann has approved the trailers being at the stadium during football games. Volunteers or the contractor handling waste at Ladd will need to assist with this initiative.
- 4. **Update on Recycling Center:** Todd Culp reported. It is becoming more difficult to work with the Hitt Road Facility. Todd is asking for approval to load USA trucks and take material to Caraustar to recycle. Caraustar will pay for the cardboard, paper, etc. and this will help to offset recycling expenses.

New Business:

- 1. Recycling Plan for Move-in Day: Dr. Bridgeforth reported. Move in Day is August 18th from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm. Todd Culp suggested putting the compartment trailers where the water stations will be located. It was also suggested to have directional signs to indicated where the recycling bins/trailers will be located.
- 2. Update on Workgroups: Dr. Bridgeforth reported. The Sustainability is working towards creating a Foundation as a committee (the core of the committee). Dr. Bridgeforth is encouraging the various workgroups to continue working through the month and give a report of the various activities at the monthly meetings. Dr. Bridgeforth suggest using AASHE as an example. The three main groups that are being suggested are:
 - Marketing and Communication
 - Operations (Guiding our practices)

- Campus Engagement
- 3. **Update on Mission Statement:** Dr. Bridgeforth reported. On July 13th a subcommittee met to discuss the Mission/Purpose/Vision Statement. This is still in progress. Please send any suggestions to Dr. Bridgeforth.
- 4. **Open Floor:** William Guess reported that he has put in a request for the Sustainability Coordinator Position again for the upcoming fiscal year.

Four signs have been ordered for the Adopt-a-Stream. SGA will pay for two of the signs and the Sustainability Committee will also support this program.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm.

Dr. James Bridgeforth, Director of Housing