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Academic Sustainability Committee of Hawai'i Community College

Report for Academic Faculty Senate Meeting on September 25, 2020

Membership in Academic Year 2020-21

Aimee Maclennan (Pāalamanui-MNS)
Debbie Weeks, Co-Chair (MNS)
Drew Kapp, Co-Chair (SOCS)
Ka'ea Lyons (Pāalamanui-HLS-HUM)
Kate DeSoto (GSSS)
Kristine Kotecki (ENG)
Lew Nakamura (AG-CTE/MNS)
No'el Tagab-Cruz (HLS-HUM)
Sam Giordanengo (HUM)

Committee Report

- Meetings
 - Met on Sept 10, 2020: with Aimee, Debbie, Drew, Kate, Kristine, Lew, No'el
 - Fall 2020 Meetings every second Thursday at 2:00pm
- S-Designation & Academic Subject Certificate
 - Task forces formed for S-Designation Onboarding & Renewals
 - Drew & Debbie working out final kinks for ASC to move forward
- [Sustainability website](#) updated with S-Designation, ASC & Committee info
- Future planning and implementation
 - Bike Share Program & Waste Audit, planning for Fall 2021 implementation
 - State-mandated EV Plug-Ins to pursue after Kauhale committee formed
 - Compostable Products on Campus, also for Kauhale committee
 - Lew updated committee on ongoing efforts and challenges
 - RISO restart beginning in September
 - Lā Honua ~ Earth Day 2021
 - Planning on virtual event, UHH partnership confirmed, anticipating greater UHOS support, involvement of sustainability committee(s), Drew to coordinate with other members including No'el to kōkua

- Pāalamanui-Manono
 - Discussions around strategies to strengthen connections through faculty engagement, S-designation offerings, Lā Honua Earth Day Fair 2021
- Kauhale
 - Kauhale (Environmental) Sustainability Committee still in limbo despite many inquiries over the past many months on the status of its application
 - Discussion around importance of avoiding the marginalization of sustainability while our institution is focused on COVID-19, and how opportune of a moment this is to continue to integrate sustainability in campus initiatives and as a guiding principle
 - Discussion around the need for sustainability committee representation in current budget talks and on the steering committee
- UH Office of Sustainability
 - Applied Sustainability Living Laboratories Presentation Sept 18: Drew, Debbie, Kristine, No‘el, as well as Ākea Kiyuna & Ilana Stout, attended, participated in interactive sessions
 - Discussions around what place/‘āina-based service learning activities are taking place system wide and how they are measured, with a proposal to support and streamline cross-system efforts through Living Labs and UHOS support
 - Sustainability Curriculum Consortium Council Sept 18: Drew & Debbie represented
 - Discussions around ASC status across system, AASHE (Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education) October Conference, sustainability in the UH Mission statement, system “core concepts” of sustainability to include TEK (Traditional Ecological Knowledge), scheduling UHOS virtual week-long visits to campuses, likely resumption of VISTA program in early 2021

Mahalo. Sustainability Co-Chairs Drew Kapp and Debbie Weeks, September 19, 2020