Senate Sustainability Committee
Meeting Minutes: December 6, 2017
Centennial Hall, Rm 224


Business:
1. Sustainability Initiative’s Five-Year Plan needs administrative support, and GSU’s Strategic Plan includes short-term cost savings but lacks long-term vision. Action for Spring 2018: **draft a resolution that expresses desire for GSU to take a leadership role on environmentalism and sustainability.**
   a. Use the United Nations’ Global Compact Principles 7, 8, and 9 as a model.
   b. Acknowledge past accomplishments of GSU and support its Strategic Plan.
   c. Include easy projects for successes, e.g.:
      i. Bee campus designation
      ii. Waste audits, improvements in education and training of staff, and increased signage are already happening in Dining and Purchasing
   d. As well as more difficult projects, e.g.:
      i. Construction and demolition waste is challenging because obtaining data depends on the contractor and adds cost.
      ii. Energy efficiency is challenging, again because of the metering system: you can’t improve what you can’t measure; need creative ways to make buildings more efficient
      iii. Green Revolving Fund is difficult to carry over year-to-year
      iv. Transportation: need greater awareness and an end to dependence and focus on parking
   e. Formed a Resolution Subcommittee: Jenni Asman, Michael Black, Lauren Curtright, Lucy Gentles, Trisha Kanan, Robert Moore
2. Action on transportation: develop questions to obtain data from Mary McLaughlin in the Office of Institutional Effectiveness
3. Raised question of changing alternate meeting times to the afternoon in Spring.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.