Senate Sustainability Committee
Meeting Minutes: March 7, 2018
Centennial Hall, Rm 224

Attending in Person: Lauren Curtright, Robert Moore, Carrie Freeman, Jenni Asman, Michael Black, Trisha Kanan, Marolyn Lucy Gentles, Ramesh Vakamudi, Greg Moore, Ariday Walkes
Attending via WebEx: Dennis Gilbride, Kathy Dolan, Dajun Dai, Alessandra Raengo, Luis Aleman, Regena Spratling

1. Jenni Asman went over recent changes in Sustainability Initiatives’ Five-Year Strategic Plan stemming from notice that enforcement of policies is outside the scope of SI. The following language has been removed or modified from the report: Goal 1.2 “Ensure”; Goal 4.11 “Create a green labs initiative”; Goal 5.5 “Raise funds to implement the Sports Arena greenspace problem” (this was a green roof project, but the initial scope had feasibility issues). 5.2 “Create a walkable and bicycle-friendly campus” may also need rewording.

2. The committee discussed the subcommittee’s resolution for Georgia State to lead on sustainability and considered rewordings to the resolution suggested by committee members; the committee decided to keep the wording as is.

3. The committee started a document with a list of projects to support the resolution and decided on the following areas for the list: 1) Institutional Operations; 2) Curriculum; 3) Research; 4) Campus Life (programming, events, extracurricular activities). As a OneDrive document, Jenni will add bullets under these topics, committee members will add to the list, and we will winnow it down at our next committee meeting on Tuesday, April 3rd. We discussed target dates for submitting the resolution to the Executive Committee: we may not make the deadline of ten days prior to the April 19th Senate meeting.

4. Carrie Freeman notified the committee that the Georgia State Undergraduate Research Conference (GSURC) has received more submissions of sustainability projects than in previous years and a request for faculty judges would go out.

5. Lauren Curtright notified the committee that this is her last term on the Senate, so we will need to elect a new chair for 2018-2019 after the April 19th Senate meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.