**Chancellor’s Sustainability Committee Meeting minutes**

**Thursday November 17th, 2016 10:00-11:30**

**5123 Cheadle Hall**

**Attendance:** Jewel Snavely (staff), David Auston, Bruce Tiffney (Co-Chair), Constance Penley, Marc Fisher, Britt Ortiz, David Lea, Nicolás Pascal

**Absent Committee Members:**

Igor Mezic, Alan Heeger (advisor), Rachel Segalman (advisor), Roland Geyer (on Sabbatical), Mark Brzezinski, Daniel Bernal Otero, Alex Regan, Bill Shelor (advisor), Renee Bahl (Co-Chair), Natalie Burrous, Denise Stephens, Mel Manalis, Shivkumar Chandrasekaran,

**Other:**

Katie Maynard, Andrew Riley, Amorette Getty

Background: At our last meeting we discussed engaging the Chancellor by inviting him to attend a meeting. The committee decided that we would need to meet again before inviting him to come.

**Discussion/CAP Feedback**

Outreach

Recommendation was put forth that we host an event around climate change similar to an event being hosted by MIT. Half of students in David Lea’s class know about the UC carbon neutrality goal. There is a basic information need. It would be useful to create campus venues for describing the carbon neutrality initiative, permit discussion of the solutions proposed, both to spread the word & to elicit greater overall buy in. Could be meetings, symposia or infographics.

Costs

Frame costs in terms of the percentage of our total operating budget. Even if there is some net cost to accomplish this goal it is a manageable goal. Hit the climate action plan with a cover plan that talks about the theoretical costs.

Offsets

Fear is that offset numbers are too low. Some suggested using the full cost of carbon and others felt that this may be too far off from the market price.

Reinvestment fund - Give the chancellor options and let the chancellor make a decision.

Not legally bound to this so it is worth considering pilling it back into the university. I

Scenarios

As it stands the Scenarios are a little confusing. It might be best just to show Scenario I and III. Also and a footnote for offsets.

Funding

What is the relationship between this and the billion dollar campaign? How can we weave this into the billion dollar capital campaign? This is a small amount in terms of money and benefit to campus is high. We should bring the office of development into the conversation. For very broad initiatives it takes the Chancellors office to support it. We could suggest to the chancellor that he consider making this a focus of the capital campaign. This may be of interest to important donors. We are one of three UC’s that could actually meet this goal.

One issue is that the development office struggles to understand who we are, which makes it very difficult. It may be smart to partner with departments that already have a strong relationship with development. It was also proposed that we ask Lotas to be an advisor to the committee. Constance will follow up about informally inviting Lotas to attend the December meeting.

Next steps

Cancel dates in December and invite Chancellor to early January meeting

Make suggested changes to the CAP and send it back to the CSC. CSC will vote in December.

Rachel Nova mentioned a second Bio methane plant (reference that in alt energy section)

Rewrite parking rate recommendations.