



Superintendent’s Advisory Council on Sustainability

**Minutes from May 24, 2022
KLC, Room 1101 A/B**

Meeting Outcome:

Members reviewed Sub-Committee reports, updated proposed recommendations to the Superintendent, and discussed Sub-Committee structure for next school year.

Members in Attendance:

Karen Carney	Aurora Hurtado	Don Richardson	Angela Stouffer
Dr. Jessica Doiron	Rob Johnson	Ramona Richardson	John Wheeler
Meredith Holland	Dr. Earnie Porta	Stephanie Ruiz Molina	

Members Absent:

Tony Bright	Kristine Johnson
Leyla Hopkins	Dakota Russell
Dr. Sheila Huckestein	

PWCS Facilitators/ Observers:

Dominik Bonshire	Jeanne Jabara	Jennifer Rokasky
Bryan Conrad	Melinda Landry	Jessica Weimer
Brian Gorham	Kim McClarin	

Agenda Item	Most Responsible Person	Comments
Call to Order	Don Richardson, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Richardson called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.
Opening Remarks and Approval of 03.22.2022 Meeting Minutes	Don Richardson, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Wheeler made a motion to approve the minutes. • Dr. Porta seconded the motion. • Motion passed 11-0 (5 not present at vote).
Citizen Comment Time	Don Richardson, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No citizen(s) signed up to comment.
Review: Sub-Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Earnie Porta, “Joint Environmental Taskforce (JET)” SACS Representative; • Dr. Jessica Doiron, “Environmental Literacy” Sub-Committee Chair; and • Rob Johnson, “High-Performance Buildings” Sub-Committee Chair. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Porta reported the following information about JET: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Spoke with Supervisor Boddye of BOCS; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No progress update on JET; ○ A community contract plan is in progress; and ○ The Sustainability Commission has begun meeting. • Dr. Doiron reported the following information from the EL Sub-Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ April meeting: Student member, Dakota Russell, gave a presentation from Virginia Blue Bird Society for Diploma Seal of Excellence; ○ Environmental Literacy Plan: Established four goals and will be working on finalizing tasks. Updated document is forthcoming; ○ Extended thanks to Ms. Richardson, who is retiring, for her dedication and years of service, and to our two student members, who are graduating; and ○ Student member, Stephanie Ruiz Molina, who is a student at Freedom HS, along with a fellow student from Freedom HS, received an award from the EPA. The official press release will be shared this summer. • Mr. Johnson reported the following information from the HPB Sub-Committee:

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Johnson will be taking over as HPB Sub-Committee Chair; ○ Shared progress update on Solar PPA, Net-Zero, lighting audits, and performance contracts; and ○ HPB Sub-Committee plans to discuss building envelope and grounds in the next year.
Review: Proposed Recommendations to Superintendent	Don Richardson, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Richardson suggested that moving forward, the Council submit recommendations to the Superintendent at the end of the school year rather than October. This timeline is more optimal as it is ahead of the CIP and budget season. The Recommendation Matrix will be a living document posted in group files. ● Members discussed the current list of recommendations. ● Ms. Carney made a motion to add an environmental landscape management plan. Dr. Porta seconded. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion passed: 11-0 ● Ms. Carney made a motion: That SACS recommends that sites be evaluated for geothermal feasibility for all sites included in the CIP (additions and new construction). Ms. Stouffer seconded. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion passed: 11-0 ● All available reference documents are in group files.
Discuss: Sub-Committee Structure for Next Term	Don Richardson, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Richardson shared that we could have three Sub-Committees next year, including Environmental Literacy, High-Performance Buildings, and Community Engagement. ● Mr. Richardson asked that all members notify Facilitators of their plans for serving on the Council beyond this term. ● Mr. Richardson shared that Facilitators would send a survey about Sub-Committee selection for next school year.

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Roundtable	Don Richardson, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members discussed the feasibility of having the first Full Council meeting of next school year in September instead of August.
Chairman's Corner	Don Richardson, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Richardson expressed his appreciation for the efforts that all Council members have put forth, and specifically thanked those Council members that are completing their service at the end of this school year.
Adjournment	Don Richardson, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next meeting of the Full Council is scheduled for September 27, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the KLC, Room 1101 A/B. • Mr. Richardson adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.