

**EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE ACADEMIC
AND APPELLATE COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT**

2018-2019 Academic Year

COMMITTEE: University Environment Committee

Membership (include ex-officio members).

Regular members: Carol Goodwillie (Chair), Brian Glover (Vice Chair), Lisa Beth Robinson (Secretary), Kanchan Das, William Hill, Susan Pearce, Tomika Williams

Ex-officio members: Bill Koch, Lauren Mink, Gregory Kearney, Bill McCartney, Chad Carwein, Sam Atwell (student representative)

Meeting Dates (include members present).

September 27, 2018: Members present: Carol Goodwillie, Brian Glover, Susan Pearce, Lisa Beth Robinson, Lauren Mink, Chad Carwein, Gregory Kearney, Sam Atwell. Others in attendance: Jeff Popke, Lori Lee

October 25, 2018: Members present: Kanchan Dan, Carol Goodwillie, Brian Glover, William Hill, Susan Pearce, Lisa Beth Robinson, Tomika Williams, Chad Carwein, Bill Koch, Lauren Mink, Gregory Kearney, Bill McCartney, Sam Atwell. Others in attendance: Lori Lee

November 29, 2018: Members present: Kanchan Dan, Carol Goodwillie, Brian Glover, William Hill, Susan Pearce, Lisa Beth Robinson, Tomika Williams, Chad Carwein, Bill Koch, Lauren Mink, Gregory Kearney, Bill McCartney. Others in attendance: Lori Lee

January 25, 2019: Members present: Kanchan Dan, Carol Goodwillie, Brian Glover, William Hill, Susan Pearce, Tomika Williams, Chad Carwein. Others in attendance: Lori Lee

February 28, 2019: Members present: Kanchan Dan, Carol Goodwillie, Brian Glover, Susan Pearce, Lisa Beth Robinson, Tomika Williams, Bill Koch. Others in attendance: Lori Lee, Gene Stano, Josh Rossnagel, Chris Davenport.

March 28, 2019: Members present: Kanchan Dan, Carol Goodwillie, Brian Glover, William Hill, Susan Pearce, Chad Carwein, Bill Koch, Gregory Kearney. Others in attendance: Gene Stano, Lori Lee

April 25: Members present: Carol Goodwillie, Brian Glover, Susan Pearce, Bill Koch, Lisa Beth Robinson, Tomika Williams, Chad Carwein, Gregory Kearney. Others in attendance: Lori Lee

Subcommittees established during the year (include progress and/or completion of work). None.

Accomplishments during the year. Please include recommendations made to any University agency other than the Faculty Senate.

1. The Committee revised the charge of the University Environment Committee, eliminating some items that were deemed to be no longer necessary, adding specific reference to how the Committee will integrate with the Sustainability Manager, and adding reference to receiving reports from various relevant campus entities. The proposal revised charge was passed by the Committee on Committees, Faculty Senate, and Chancellor.
2. The committee recommended actions to repair the ECU-owned section of the Green Mill Run Greenway, between Elm Street Park and College Hill Drive. Brian Glover drafted a resolution, which was passed by the committee. However, before presenting to the Faculty Senate, the Committee was informed by John Gill of Campus Operations that he had funding for the repairs and planned to undertake them. Therefore, the resolution was not put forward.
3. The Committee received reports on LimeBikes and the new ECU Tree Trail initiative.
4. The Committee developed and administered a faculty survey to promote awareness of ECU natural areas, gauge interest in using them for teaching and research, and gather information on faculty research and courses with a sustainability focus. The survey also gathered information requested by Gene Stano, campus arborist, to support his work to develop outdoor classrooms facilities. Survey was sent out in April and May.

5. Members of the Committee participated in Master Planning process and made recommendations concerning transportation and connectivity with Millennial Campus, stormwater containment, and enhancing preservation and appropriate use of ECU natural areas.
6. The Committee made a recommendation to Provost Mitchelson, through Faculty Chair Jeff Popke, to ask Deans and Chairs to gather information on courses with sustainability content, information that is needed to complete the report for STARS (Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System) every three years. Provost Mitchelson indicated support. Further work is needed to develop an instrument to collect information from administrators.

Reports to the Faculty Senate (include dates and resolution numbers). None

Business carried over to next year (list in priority order).

1. Analysis of natural areas and sustainability survey results
2. Following up on survey, continued efforts to promote better use of natural areas, outdoor classrooms, and other sustainability-related campus resources
3. Further development of process for obtaining sustainability course content information from administrators for data needed in STARS report.
4. Item suggested for future committee work: Environmental health in campus buildings, water and air quality. We might consider ways to make faculty more aware of the procedures and issues involve.
5. Item suggested for future committee work: Consideration of leaf blowers on campus. Is there a way to minimize or modify their use to avoid disruption and negative impacts?
6. Item suggested for future committee work: Consideration of campus and community bike routes. Can we formalize a protocol to have the impacts on these by campus construction considered during planning processes?

Evaluation of the committee (include anything that hindered or assisted the committee's work during the year).

- A. Charge: Revised this academic year.
- B. Personnel: No concerns noted.
- C. Attendance: Attendance was very good. Quorum was achieved at all meetings. Attendance by student representative was minimal, but this is probably not unusual.
- D. Responsibilities: No concerns noted.
- E. Activities: No concerns noted. The committee has been active on a number of fronts.

Suggestion(s) to the Chair of the Faculty for improving the effectiveness of the committee. None

Does the Committee's organizational meeting next year need to be earlier than the date set this year?

If yes, when do you prefer: NO



Signed: Chairperson

Vice Chair



Secretary

Lisa Beth Robinson