SSN General Meeting Minutes  
May 21, 2015  
12:00-12:50 pm  
SERF 232  
Attendees: Approximately 25  
Submitted by Kim Kane (Recording Secretary) 5.22.15

**News & Announcements (10 mins)**

Upcoming event: Tour of The Zone
- Join SSN on a Tour of the Zone. Limited space available
- LEED Certified space
- The Zone promotes healthy living to students
- Sign Up Now to go on the Tour

Recap of earthweek events –
- Reached out to many people at the tabling event
- The composting demo was well attended with approximately 30 people mainly staff
- Two articles about the SSN were featured in This Week at UCSD!

Sweet potato sale
- Coming up May 26 at the Farmer’s Market on campus.
- Stop by and make a donation and get a sweet potato plant to grow in your garden

**1st SSN Elections (30 mins)**

Review of steps/timeline
- Ballot will be sent to dues paying members
- **DEADLINE to vote is May 27th at 5:00 pm.**
- May 28th Results are certified by the Executive Board (EB) and the successful candidates are notified
- May 29th Notice is sent to the membership.
- June 3 New Officers sit in on the EB meeting
- June 18th General Meeting – “Passing of the Baton” ceremony to the new members and celebration of 1st years accomplishments.

Candidates introduce themselves
- If only one person is running for a position please vote for the person, so they feel the love

Jennifer Bowser- **Chair-Elect**
- At her previous employment at a University she was part of a Staff Green Team that helped to green the campus and won awards for doing it.

Kim Kane- **Recording Secretary**
- Was the secretary last year for the SSN.

Brian Pierini- **Membership Chair**
- Was the Membership chair last year for the SSN
- If you have any ideas on increasing membership, let Brian know.

Hughston “Hugh” Hagues- **Treasurer**
- Assistant Director at UC Centers
- Passionate about food sustainability organizes event in Price Center on Food Day in October
- CPA for 6 years

Kalyn Miller – **Treasurer**
- Employed at Procurements
- Works with vendors so the campus can have sustainable purchasing decisions.
- Five years of financial oversight in her current position

**Travis Johnson - Communications Officer**
- Employed at Food & Fuel for the 21st Century where he works in communications
- Experience with web & graphic design
- Has many ideas to improve communication for SSN and build the SSN brand

**Alison Sanchirico - Communications Officer**
- Employed at Extension and is a member of their green team
- Completed a Sustainable Business Practices Certification
- Will work to promote the SSN

**Ruth Montouri - Communications Officer**
- Worked in Marketing for 8 years and is very word oriented
- Define who SSN is and how the SSN can support the campus in sustainability
- Will work to increase visibility and raise awareness of SSN both on and off of campus.

**Yvonne Brown - Events Coordinator**
- Works on East Campus, in previous jobs did event planning
- Interested in campus outreach on all parts campus, including Hillcrest and the Medical side
- Will work to help departments to host their own green events, host pollinator friendly events, and do water conservation outreach

**Vanessa Jimenez - Events Coordinator**
- Employed in Facilities, Design and Construction
- Graduate of UCSD and wants to work toward making it a better place, is very dependable and resourceful
- Oversaw the SSN tabling event during Earth Week and as student worked with a campus sustainability group that hosted many sustainable events, including a trash sort.

**Staff Picnic Greening Ideas (10 mins)**
- Power point presentation of what is currently being discussed – (Ali Sanchirico – email her if you think of other ideas to green the picnic)
- Staff Picnic Friday August 14th 11:30-1:30
- Theme Triton Time Travel
  - Highlight milestones in UCSD’s history (hydration stations, using reclaimed water, and community gardens on campus) and where we are going.
- Ticketing
  - QR codes for ticket on people’s smart phones, people who don’t have phone could print ticket.
  - A list of people who registered for event that volunteers could check off of a list.
- Food: Bekkers Catering
  - Can we request they use reusable plates? We need to start those kinds of discussion now.
    - Can staff bring their own plate?
  - Incentive to bring your own cup and utensils, staff who do get an extra raffle ticket or are entered into a drawing...
- Recycling, Composting
  - Work with Chuck Morgan
  - Last year they had a three bin system
  - Use signage to increase awareness
- Promote it as a Zero Waste event
- Have volunteers at each station to help staff know what can be composted, recycled or is trash
- Ways to measure, use scales? Is there a way to gather statistics on the amount of waste that is composted and recycled so we can congratulate staff members and challenge ourselves to do better next year?

- Prizes/Giveaways/ Compensation
  - Seed markers like a stake you plant it and it grow

- The Staff Picnic Planning Group meets biweekly at the Super Computer Center next meeting is June 4 at 1:00 Ali can attend this meeting.