SSN General Meeting Minutes
THURS, 11/18 /15 12-12:50 PM
Bear Room Price Center West
Attendance Approximately 30
Submitted 11/28/15 by Kim Kane (Secretary)

UCSD management is currently in the process of updating UCSD’s Long Range Development Plan and would like our input on it!

SPECIAL GUESTS

- Gary Matthews - Vice Chancellor of Resource Management and Planning
- Steve Jackson - Director of Facilities Management
- Robert Clossin - Director of Physical & Community Planning
- Sara McKinstry - Director of Sustainability

Email sent to SSN subscribers after meeting on 11/23/15:

Vice Chancellor Gary Matthews and his executive team gave us a very exciting behind-the-scenes look of the campus's future Long Range Development Plan. With sustainability being at the forefront of their planning process, VC Gary Matthews has asked SSN for our help. Based off our sustainability knowledge and our experiences as staff at UCSD, VC Gary Matthews would like our feedback on the plan and any campus sustainability ideas, no matter how small or impossible they might be.

A message from VC Gary Matthews:

Please convey to the membership that I would greatly appreciate their input and I ask them to ... Dare to Dream!

Let’s not think of what is but what could be, let technology aide in our dreams. Example: we were asked several questions about transportation, what if we could develop an aerial tram or sky way from key locations across the campus, what effect would that have, cost while a serious factor will have to be assessed and determined within a host of variables. What about a keyless University, no keys, no plastic access cards; just biometrics used for access control. Waste minimization that includes extensive composting and extraction of methane from the waste stream, rain water capture systems for all new buildings. Farm to table with vegetables grown on campus using hydroponics. Greater use of existing facilities via flex time and alternative work schedules. Think outside the box particularly when that thinking can help leverage research already conducted on the campus. Bio fuels from algae, etc.

I appreciate the support and I too look forward to future interactions with SSN. Best Regards, Gary

This is a real opportunity for SSN to make a lasting impact on the campus. The ideas we submit could become part of the campus's next Long Range Development Plan, a plan that is only updated every 15-20yrs! Please review the
presentation from last Thursday again and submit your feedback and campus sustainability ideas to ssn@ucsd.edu. All ideas will be collected and submitted to VC Gary Matthews and his team on a bi-weekly basis till Jan 8th, 2016.

- The Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) does not commit the campus to specific projects as it must provide flexibility for changing conditions. The LRDP will align with both the campus Strategic Plan and the Climate Action Plan.

- We are already doing many great things in regards to sustainability on campus, innovative research, advanced micro grid, all new construction is LEED certified, light rail coming to campus in the future, charging stations for electric vehicles, landscaping using reclaimed water..., but we need to do more, what else can we do? The most difficult part will be changing individual behaviors. How do we get people to make changes? What are your ideas? The campus wants to hear from you!