

NYCSHE Steering Committee meeting

Agenda – October 30, 2017

712-775-7031 code 879-644

In attendance: Mary Ellen Mallia (University at Albany); Melissa Cadwell (Syracuse University) and Marian Brown (Wells College).

1. Membership report – Melissa

6 new member applications were received from the SUNY Leadership Sustainability Summit and AASHE conference.

2. Regional rep report – Mary Ellen

Nothing to report. A check in call will be set up during the semester break.

3. Website report – Mary Ellen

All of the SUNY Sustainability Coalition information is now housed at the NYCSHE.org website along with the conferences. Our most recent mission statement and constitution are also available.

4. Events report

Campus Crunch was successful with a record number of campuses participating this year at 34! Photos can be sent to our intern at NYCSHEintern@gmail.com to be posted on Facebook and our website gallery.

The networking event at AASHE was well attended. Some items discussed were large scale renewable energy projects and thinking about ways to leverage our collective power. Suggestions included creating a logo that member institutions could put on their website, creating a database for NYCSHE member impacts (i.e. energy use, food purchases, etc) and creating a peer review group for STARS.

The State of NY conference will take place on Nov 15 and 16 at SUNY Cortland.

5. External liaison report

Nothing to report.

6. AASHE report

Nothing to report beyond the networking meet up items above.

7. SSC report

The SUNY Sustainability Coalition will be meeting on the morning of November 15th. Ryan and Mary Ellen met with the new SUNY Chancellor, Kristina Johnson, as representatives of SSC and NYCSHE, respectively. She was very receptive, engaged and excited about moving forward on sustainability initiative, especially in the area of renewables as well as establishing sustainability goals for the system.

8. Old business/updates

The Aggregate Renewable energy purchase is now being called “NYCARES”. This is continuing to move forward with Indu (UAlbany) and Sandy DeJohn (Binghamton) taking the lead. They are working with SUNY central to create a letter of intent and summary page for campuses interested in joining the group.

9. New business

No new business. The next call will be November 27.

Minutes submitted by: Mary Ellen Mallia