

Sustainable Culture Sub-Committee meeting minutes 3/9/2018

In attendance: Georgina Balkwell, Elizabeth Flynn and Karen Groppi

Started: 12:30 pm, adjourned: 1:40 pm

AASHe.org → New Account (free with Cabrillo.edu email!) → Resource hub → Waste → University of Vermont compost campaign:

- UVM composting in cafeterias since 1997, residential halls since 2014
- Misperceptions of students and staff hinder maximal compost input
- In fall 2017 UVM implemented a campaign to increase awareness and participation
- The semester-end total compost weight did increase

What are the best ways for Cabrillo to spread the sustainable culture?

- Enlist someone to attend each campus-wide event and hand out little hand-made information flyers about compost and sustainability
- Hold a zero-waste event
- Karen reminded us of ten years ago when they collected 365 plastic water bottles from the trash cans and strung them up around the library. We should do this again! With 365 coffee cups strewn out on the amphitheater.
- Art students, have someone who's interested in sculpture make a sculpture out of waste to put in the cafeteria. Contact Heather Peterson in art history.

Second Nature sent President Wetstein an email advertising membership to him. Karen and another sustainer will meet with him during his April 27th open office hour to discuss our sustainability movement.

Georgina works in the library and suggested we create a display for the display case in the library entrance. They are planning on changing the current display near the end of the semester, so we will get something in there. We could fit a compost bin with what can go in it hung above, as well as a recycle bin next to it with what can be recycled. We'll

We watched the trailer of "Albatross", a film by Chris Jordan documenting the widespread deaths of albatrosses on Midway Island due to ingestion of plastic pieces. Georgina will look into getting some of his photographs printed for the display case.