Hawai‘i Community College Sustainability Committee

Report for Faculty Senate Meeting on February 28, 2020

Membership in Spring Semester 2020

- Aimee MacLellan (Pālamanui-MNS)
- Debbie Weeks, Co-Chair (MNS)
- Drew Kapp, Co-Chair (SOC)
- Ka‘ea Lyons (Pālamanui-HLS)
- Kate DeSoto (GSSS)
- Kristine Kotecki (ENG)
- Lew Nakamura (CTE-Agriculture)
- No’el Tagab-Cruz (HLS-HUM)
- Sam Giordanengo (HUM)

Ongoing work by the Committee and towards campus sustainability initiatives

- Committee met on **February 21, 2020** (Aimee, Debbie, Drew, Kate, Ka‘ea, Kristine, Charlotte—Sustainability Initiatives Coordinator).
- The Committee **Statement on Maunakea** was approved by Faculty Senate January 31. Committee now awaits its dissemination to our faculty, lecturer, and staff listservs.
- Committee continues to work on revisions to the **ASC in Sustainability**.
- Committee is requesting suggestions from DCs at their February 25 meeting for Course (rather than CRN) **Sustainability designations**.
- Several committee members (**No’el, Charlotte, and Drew** as Hawai‘i-CC Coordinator) continue to meet regularly to plan **Lā Honua Earth Day** events for April 22, 24, 25.
- Committee is involved in the planning and implementation of the annual **ʻAi Pono** event to take place at Manono in late March or early April, coordinated by **Charlotte**, and in conjunction with the Agriculture, Culinary and Hawai‘i Life Styles programs.
- Committee is involved in the planning and implementation of a Manono Campus **Waste Audit** in early April, coordinated by **Charlotte** and with the support of the UH Office of Sustainability, and is working with the VC of Administrative Affairs to select a site and work out other key details.
Committee is involved in the planning and implementation of a **Bike Share** program, for which a grant is currently being written, also coordinated by *Charlotte*, and is working with the VC of Administrative Affairs to finalize site selection.

The Sustainability-Mālama ʻĀina **RISO**, coordinated by *Charlotte* with co-advisors *Debbie and Drew*, held its first meeting of the semester on February 14.

Some RISO members participated in the **outplanting of ʻōhiʻa lehua** for the first time in over a century at Koholālele in Hāmākua on February 22.

Committee still awaits approval of the formation of the **Environmental (Kauhale) Sustainability Committee** that would report to College Council. The application submitted in Fall 2019 is still under review by the Committee on Committees.

*Mahalo. Sustainability Co-Chairs Drew Kapp and Debbie Weeks, February 24, 2020*