

# Minutes

Thursday, December 14 | 2023, 10:00 – 11:30 P.M. | 2M70

Meeting Called by	Campus Sustainability Office
Focus of meeting	2022-23 Annual Sustainability Report Approval 2023 Waste Audit Report STARS Data collection process Facilities and Operations Update UW’s next Sustainability Strategy
Facilitator	Joseph Wasylcyia-Leis
Note taker	Gianna Dusecina
Attendees	<b>Joseph Wasylcyia-Leis</b> (Sustainability Coordinator) <b>Sara Campbell</b> (Sustainability Projects Coordinator) <b>Gianna Dusecina</b> (Sustainability Assistant) <b>Kyle Macdonald</b> (Executive Director, Facilities) <b>Craig Wood</b> (Director of Building Services) <b>Darcelle Paquette</b> (Manager of Business Operations) <b>Navinder Basra</b> (VP Finance and Administration) <b>Rachel Keijzer</b> (Program Officer, Natural Science Research) <b>Patricia Fitzpatrick</b> (Professor) <b>Chris MacDonell</b> (Executive Director, Institutional Analysis) <b>Javier Schwersensky</b> (CEO - University of Winnipeg Foundation) <b>Ian Vickers</b> (Chief Executive Officer, Diversity Foods) <b>Leslie Uhryniuk</b> (Director Ancillary Services) <b>Kim Gulas</b> (Supervisor - Printing Services) <b>Chantelle Fiola</b> (AVP Indigenous) <b>Danielle Dunbar</b> (Associate Vice President, Engagement) <b>Caleb Zimmerman</b> (Executive Director, Marketing and Communications) <b>Marshall Kirton</b> (Director, Planning Office)

## Agenda Items

Welcome & Introductions | Review Agenda (5 minutes)

- Roundtable introductions (role and department)

### **2022 Sustainability Report and Waste Audit Report 20 minutes)**

- Joe to present final drafts of the FY2022 Campus Sustainability Report and the 2022 Waste Audit Report for approval

- Sara to share preliminary findings from the 2023 Commuter Survey

Marshall: perhaps demonstrate the 40% and the 13% differently on the “red garbage bag graphic”

Rachel: What do you want people to do with this information? If its contamination, we need to make that more apparent at the beginning of the document. We should put the data alongside the recommendations to make more inviting

Javier: Recommends key takeaways, make references to weight to something people could imagine “this weight is the same as a hippo for example” to cater to people who have difficulty analyzing data

Marshall: wants to know if we could add space to the graph on page 10 of Annual Report – UWinnipeg has far more space but is also using energy far more efficiently

Kyle: Believes report should contains some more real photos

Chris: If the new bins aren't making improvements next waste audit – then it is probably because staff areas are lacking in staff areas and offices.

Rachel: Wants to work with us to improve the UWinnipeg research section. The library is working on a better way to search for such research.

Ian: wants to us to show local procurement on our report to better represent Diversity's sustainability

Marshall: water consumption – covid years affected this – perhaps look at providing an expected projection of water consumption

Navinder: What is the reason for 1990 and 2007's data being missing from the table on page 28 of the Annual report?

Javier: Just curious if there is a standard Canadian reporting guideline for campuses?

Joe: Yes, the standard reporting tool for campuses is STARS

Kyle: there is also the Climate registry, and Portfolio management – which can be used to incorporate data into future reports

### **Commuter Survey – Sara Campbell**

Joe: We could possibly look at implementing the same structure as Go Manitoba to our own UWinnipeg staff.

Rachel: Are you aware that there are bike cages on campus that aren't allowed to be used because of high rates of theft? This was just this summer and last summer.

Javier: Curious to know what the top reasons for why people are taking public transit and active transit.

Sara: I believe the main reasons were 1. no other choice, 2. health benefits, and 3. affordability

Are bikes allowed in offices? It would promote more active transport

Kyle: the terms have changed to open the opportunity to allow it

Marshall: A problem then arises when it comes to space and being a good neighbour.

Marshall: there are ways to solves to bike theft problems by producing secure bike storage or a bike storage garage

### **Multi-Stream Bin Project – Sara Campbell**

Trish: Suggestion to bring it up to the AMA committee regarding accessibility about bin placement

**STARS(15 minutes)**

- Joe to update Council on data collection process and timelines; will highlight credits in need of special attention

**Facilities and Operations Update (20 minutes)**

- Kyle to provide information on current/upcoming projects

**UWinnipeg Next Sustainability Strategy (20 minutes)**

- CSO to review past strategic planning efforts and lead discussion on next steps

**Comments/ Suggestions:**

- It would be good to know the pros and cons of STARS – especially when considering Diversity Foods
- It is important to have our own strategy – we are unique in where we reside. We have challenges which are perhaps different from other organizations.
- STARS should be used as a basis in our reporting
- Students should be involved in the CSC and should be compensated for their time and involvement.

**Outstanding Business, Action Items (5 min)**

- CSO will circulate digital copies of the Annual Report and the Waste Audit Report ; CSC members will have until early in the New Year to send in additional feedback
- CSO will also send out STARS data collection surveys early in the year.