From the Educational Master Plan:

Strategic Direction 6: Serve as stewards of our resources…

Strategic Goal 6.1: Provide sustainability in terms of our facilities, technology, human resources, and fiscal resources…
Leadership and Members

MEMBERSHIP 2018-2019

Co-Chairs
Leslie Seiger, Professor, Biology
Waverly Ray, Associate Professor, Geography, ESC Webpage

Representative

Faculty Members
Valerie Abe, Professor, Architecture
Becca Arnold, Professor, Economics
Paul Detwiler, Professor, Biology
Roger Gallegos, Professor, Psychology
Dwayne Gergens, Professor, Chemistry
Jill Moreno Ikari, Professor, English, Department Chair
Laura Mathis, Professor, Counseling
Michelle Rodriguez, Professor, Political Science
Ron Sandvick, Professor, Mathematics
Scott Starbuck, Professor, English

Classified Senate - vacant

Associated Student Representatives
Sofia Gonzalez

Managers

Director of Communications
Goals of committee

- Raise awareness of environmental issues on campus and in the wider area.
- Identify, promote and support initiatives that promote sustainability on campus.
- Sponsor campus events and activities that support sustainability.
- Promote interdisciplinary cooperation and inclusion of sustainability topics into the curriculum.
- Help students identify "Green" career paths.
Two projects to mention today:
1. Rewrite ESC purpose/Reorganize “Ecomesa” website
   a. Update- new laws and issues
   b. Feature successes and resources-LEED buildings, garden, bicycle racks...
2. Sustainability Tracking…
Sustainability Tracking

“One of the first conditions of happiness is that the link between humanity and nature not be broken.”

-Léo Tolstoï
What is AASHE?

- Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
- To inspire and catalyze higher education to lead the global sustainability transformation
- Membership:
  - 67 California colleges
    - SDSU, UCSD, USD, PLNU
  - 700 colleges and universities, including 63 community colleges
What is STARS?

- Sustainability, Tracking, Assessment, & Rating System
- Transparent, self-reporting framework for colleges and universities to measure their sustainability performance
# University of San Diego

San Diego, CA, US

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## Institutional Characteristics

- [Institutional Characteristics +](#)

## Academics

- Curriculum: 30.30 / 40.00
- Research: 15.00 / 18.00

## Engagement

- Campus Engagement: 20.25 / 21.00
- Public Engagement: 19.45 / 20.00
### Operations

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The information presented here is self-reported. While AASHE staff review portions of all STARS reports and institutions are welcome to seek additional forms of review, the data in STARS reports are not verified by AASHE. If you believe any of this information is erroneous or inconsistent with credit criteria, please review the process for inquiring about the information reported by an institution and complete the Data Inquiry Form.
Why do we need to track sustainability?

- 87% of schools who participate reported that STARS has instigated positive changes
- More effectively fulfill our commitment to sustainability
- Increases awareness of environmental issues
- Provides opportunity for students to gain experience
- Provide opportunity to save money
- Attract new students
Student Support

October 10, 2018
SB-FS18 ### - Sustainability Audit Support Resolution

**WHEREAS** Associated Students supports the values of San Diego Mesa Community College which include sustainability; and

**WHEREAS** Associated Students recognizes the need for sustainability on campus to fulfill our obligation in protecting the environment; and

**WHEREAS** Associated Students supports efforts to better fulfill San Diego Mesa Community College’s commitment to sustainability; and

**WHEREAS** A sustainability audit is a unique tool that will provide the Mesa community with valuable information to better inform us of our progress in sustainability efforts and where we can improve at achieving sustainability; therefore

**RESOLVED** Associated Students of San Diego Mesa Community College supports a sustainability audit to be conducted on our campus.
Next Steps for ESC to begin tracking:

1) Explore sources of data
2) Set up STARS account and begin input
3) Request funds to complete tracking and register
4) Eventually seek “Executive Letter” to certify, submit, and receive rating
Thank you!