

Campus Sustainability Fund

Committee Meeting Agenda & Minutes

Wednesday May 14, 2025 | 2:30-4:30pm PDT, Location: Gerberding room B-40 or [Zoom](#)

Join Virtual Meeting (Spring 2024-2025)

<https://washington.zoom.us/j/95433344374>

In attendance: Mazzi, Sofia, Mira, Elias, Julia, Clara, Jessica, Danny, Boe, Lorenzo

Start time: 2:30

Agenda		
Time	Item	Facilitator
2:30-2:40	Meeting Purpose <ul style="list-style-type: none">• [Review] Agenda for today<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Vote for Co-Chairs○ Deliberate on mini grants○ Deliberate on STF plans for next year○ Say goodbye to our friends Tatiana, Julia, Mazzi, Boe, and Kort – fill out cards throughout the meeting!○ If there are any more project amendments we would need folks to vote asynchronously till the end of year.○ Interim committee• Community events?<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Humble Feast RSVP<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ ASUW Food Co-op○ HUB Lyceum – Tues May 27th, 5-7pm○ Free admission! (Bring a donation for the UW Pantry)○ Catering from Chu Minh Tofu!• SEAS open house at fisheries this weekend (aquatic sciences) 10-4 fun for families and learn about research, buy safes merch• research symposium at Mary gates and the HUB, 11-5 on Friday• bio-fi conference Saturday and Sunday (regenerative ecosystems and watersheds) at the Georgetown• Spring Coast Jam on May 31 at the IH, for the Coast Salish people, an informal gathering with singing and dancing	Sofia & Mazzi
2:40-2:45	Vote for Co-Chairs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Everyone should have received bios for the running positions (Clara, Sofia)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Mazzi motions to vote<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Sofia & Julia second■ Clara and Sofia are voted by quorum	Sofia & Mazzi

2:45-3:30	<p>Deliberate on mini grants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Intention project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Not sure what it would accomplish, not sure sustainable impact ○ Confused on who it is targeting , but also only \$200 ○ Was apart of the trans joy project: Came on radar when we were planning that ○ In theory could just give them money as a project ○ Does not fit our criteria, ● Documenting undergraduate food insecurity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Felt like the funding would just be for an event itself, feels like there wouldn't be much impact. Confused on how many students would see it. ○ Like the idea of doing a research project and then making research accessible. But concerned ○ They have a sentence of "15 booklets for stakeholders" ○ Seems like longevity and impact or low ● K-12 Cultural Heritage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Concerns with leadership and student involvement ○ Like project itself, but concerned with impact for UW students specifically ○ Lots of money towards supplies that would be used by 20 students. ● Project Indoor Farm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Great scores across all ○ \$4976 is actual cost, we fund by line items ○ They have other funding as well! Cool! ● Sustainable Education Initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Goods and excellents ○ Julia thought cool idea, ways of having an impact even if admin makes decision to not buy in. Butts in seats in classes, having more undergrads in those classes benefits departments. Faculty on board helps. Ways to use work funded to encourage students to take courses. Compiling course catalog useful. (faculty in CHID, environment, English, Foster, CS) ○ 20 in RSO ○ Wish a student could do research and be paid. ● Muz Fest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sounds like written with ChatGPT, didn't take proposal feedback. Took line items and put smaller amount. 	Sofia
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Off campus, not UW affiliated, students can't go over summer. ○ Feels weird to fund with student dollars. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Also what are we funding ○ Specific line items aren't aligned with mission, carnival and food.. ● Cultural Harvest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Are line items for coordinators are stipend? Not doing it by units. 40 hours of work ○ Timeline is feasible ○ Similar to Earthlab, engaging more students ○ Not interested ○ 30 expressing interest? ○ Not comfortable funding money for prizes. ○ Encourage them to do project amendment. ● Ethical Research <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Enrollment is low for students in class ○ Has done a lot of teaching already and education pieces, on indigenous students in the department. ○ Comfortable funding in general, could have larger impact with more students in future ● Civic health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Not uncomfortable funding time, but confused about what the committee is doing except make score card ○ Don't understand what they're doing ○ Believe project is good, can't wrap head around it, weird funding something we are confused about ○ Initiative is valuable but o ○ Confused about what the time is being spent on OtTEHR than the scorecard deliverable, how will the outreach be working, how do you plan to encourage students to do this ○ Year of funding, finalize scorecard in Spring 2026, so they do not plan in that year for any implementation. Full year is developing a scorecard. So question is how is tool used to enact things in world. ○ Who funded democracy bingo and what was it. ○ Need more fleshed out programming. ○ Can fund with stipulations, contingencies. Then quick update to committee. <p>VOTE HERE (ASYNCHRONOUSLY) Project review form</p>	
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3:50-4:05	Deliberate on Bird Friendly and EarthLab Bird Friendly: (\$11,000) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$20,000 left from the last budget. Only about \$11,000 they need to do EVERYTHING. • Clarifications from emails, feels like it makes a lot more sense, feel more comfortable funding it • Comfortable funding \$11,000, just need them to include us on conversations with facilities! • VOTE: Everyone in favor of \$11,000 for BirdFriendly EarthLab: (\$23,000) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feeling confident about ability to have larger reach. • 32+ students involved and RSO involvement. (\$23,000) • VOTE: Everyone in favor of \$23,000 	Sofia
4:05-4:25	Deliberate on STF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guiding questions / outline <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Danny going over background and where everything currently stands • Do we want to send an ex-officio member for next year? What does this mean? • Changing our own by-laws so this is recurring, is it a paid position? • Discussion of green fee & STF research results by committee members • If they are going to have an ex-officio member anyways, we should be in the loop so it should be use as ex-officio. Retaining relationship should be good. • Only reservation is that the committee member should not be treated poorly. • Paid out of STF funds, not our funds. • Mira would be interested in sitting on STF committee (for stipend) • Chair makes a decision, then committee can vote to approve. Good for ex-officio to be fully involved in committee. • Important to maintain relationships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Conversations of MOU with STF, code of conduct to be followed and could be in MOU. ◦ Conversation of aligning cycles, or making assumptions 	Sofia, Mazzi, & Danny
4:25-4:30	End of meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This was our last meeting! Goodbye to those who will be leaving, and see the rest of you next year!:-) • (Boe) Committee Anonym Feedback Form • If there are any more project amendments we would need folks to vote asynchronously till the end of year. • Interim committee • Next steps to come from future chairs 	Sofia

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Questions?	
	Final thoughts & adjourn	