

Location/Time: MU L1-45 Havasupai

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Minutes

❖ Introductions/Updates

- ASU has released new recycling guidelines. **Single-use disposable items like paper cups, paper plates and plastic utensils are no longer accepted in the Blue Bin commingle program.**
 - Note: None of the cups provided in the MU are compostable.
 - Note: Nothing smaller than 2.5 inches in diameter can be recycled
 - Zero Waste is working on new signage, and new labels. They can also give presentations to teach about the new recycling guidelines.
- ASU's new Sustainable Purchasing Guidelines
 - Location: Purchasing Website (link will be provided by [Lesley Michalegko](#))
- ASU's new Sustainability Goals
 - 8 new university-wide goals
 - Location: <https://cfo.asu.edu/sustainability-goals-and-vision>

❖ Progress of Green Purchasing Guidelines Subcommittee

- We are working to create user-friendly Green Purchasing Guidelines for ASU - we've had our third meeting and it's going very well!
- **New allies:** SPRI team has joined us to create the survey so we are getting the information we want.
 - Next step: Creating a survey to send out to people who do purchasing throughout the university. Communications team has given us their blessing, and will assist us with outreach.
 - SPRI may try to use the data collected to include in their research.
- Note: We are looking to make this purchasing guide project a learning opportunity for ASU students! More details to come.
- **Contact [Emmery](#) or [Sheyenne](#) to join this committee! Our next meeting will likely be the week of Nov. 26th.**

❖ **ASU A-Frame Sign Policy and Sustainability Impacts - Rita McGlynn**

Updates from the Subcommittee:

- Currently in the investigative stage!
- Working on collaboration with other departments who are having problems.
- The intention of the policy was to clean up our campus.
- Good contacts are: **Rudy Bellavia and Elaine Rutger**

Notes about the Subcommittee:

- The new policy has determined that we cannot have any generic wayfinding signage.
- Standard A-Frames can be purchased for \$60 and then there are additional costs for purchasing of sign inserts.
- Signs must have event date or time, facilities will remove if not stated. Plastic inserts are recyclable, but are they recycling?
 - This policy essentially bans the reuse of signs, which is a **sustainability issue.**
- In general, the policy needs to be clarified and hopefully reevaluated for sustainability!
- **Printing Lab Representing Today**
 - Reach out to Rudy and team to come and present.
 - MECA biggest group affected!
- **This is now a NEW SUBCOMMITTEE! Please reach out to [Rita McGlynn](#), the subcommittee chair, and [Emmery/Sheyenne](#) to join.**
 - Group folder will be provided to everyone to see and contribute

❖ **Student Services Herb Garden and Blue Bag Sorting:**

- Blue Bag Sorting Dates:
 - **Emmery will be sending a Doodle Poll to decide on Staff Sustainability Committee work days.**
 - Looking into more dates, times, and locations to pull more of an audience on Tempe campus. We will also look into carpooling.
 - West and Poly has had great participation, great job!
 - **Contact [Katie](#) to join a Blue Bag sorting event! [Shane Hunt](#) is coordinating new dates/locations for the WEST campus.**
- Herb Garden Work Days:
 - Poly does have largest herb garden (Susan Norton is the contact.)
 - Downtown and West do have small gardens, if interested let us know

- The herb garden is located at the North end of the Student Services Building. **To join, you can just show up!**
 - November 14th from 7-8am
 - December 12th from 7-8am

❖ **Round Table**

- Lunch and Learn Series Event:
 - November 20th, Jennifer Linde from the School of Human Communication presents *Civil Dialogue*
- Recycling Workshop (covering updates) presented by ZW
 - November 15th from 12 - 1 PM
 - Location: MU 226
- Sustainability with Athletics
 - All athletic venues are Zero Waste - we may be looking into this as a project, if deemed appropriate by the committee.
 - Homecoming is the designated Green Game!

The next Sustainability Committee meeting is December 6th at noon.