

Advisory Committee on Sustainability and Innovation (ACSI)

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, 10/10/18, 9am - 11am

Multnomah Building, 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, OR



Next Meeting

Wednesday, January 30, 2019, 9 - 11am

Multnomah Building, 6th floor, Room 625

ACSI MEMBERS PRESENT / PHONE

Ryan Vanden Brink, Loulie Brown, David Heslam (phone), Rick Hodges, Ralph Mastromonaco, Mary Peveto (phone), Khanh Pham (phone), Sasha Pollack, Kari Schlosshauer, Kimberlee Stafford (phone)

MULTNOMAH COUNTY LEADERSHIP / STAFF / PUBLIC MEMBERS PRESENT

John Wasiutynski, Tim Lynch, Sam Baraso, Sara Mihm (Office of Sustainability), Jae Douglas, Andrea Hamberg, Brendon Haggerty (Environmental Health), Hayden Miller (Office of Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson)

ACTION ITEMS

- **Office of Sustainability**
 - Create a Doodle poll to find time to reconvene on the phone to review the letter.
 - Circulate the second draft of the letter ahead of the scheduled phone call to review, and vote on the letter.
 - **Tim** will follow up with **Rick**, **Loulie**, and **Jae** to create a more actionable section for the County to address the section in the letter that covers energy and health performance.
 - **John** will follow up with **Mary** and **Jae** to work on the language regarding the woodsmoke section of the letter.
 - **Sam** will send out ACSI member recruitment information and timeline.
 - **Sasha** and **Khanh** will work with Ryan on the Clean Energy Jobs portion of the letter to incorporate their edits. They'll also include a sentence regarding working with the City of Portland.
 - **Mary** to work on the diesel section of the letter and provide edits to Ryan.

DECISIONS MADE

- None

WELCOME / ICEBREAKER

- **John Wasiutynski** shared that Office of Sustainability is coordinating EcoChallenge events throughout October, including workshops for staff and the public on topics like plastics pollution, bike safety, and sustainability and justice at work.
- **Kari Schlosshauer** shared that Oregon Walks is having an annual fundraiser on November 2.

REVIEW & APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

- Minutes from the 9/24/18 ACSI Retreat were approved.

ACSI CHAIR ELECTION

- **Ryan Vanden Brink** has been elected as the new Chair of ACSI.

REVIEW & APPROVE ACSI LETTER TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

- The group reviewed the draft letter and discussed areas of consensus and areas that need improvement.
- This included the following actions:
 - **Sasha** will take the lead on making edits reflecting the group's consensus decisions. The group outlined ACSI's priorities for supporting any carbon pricing legislation, including the Clean Energy Jobs bill. Specifics included parameters around the use of revenues generated from the sale of allowances for

emissions from transportation fuels, the conveyance of free allowances, limitations on the use of offsets, and assurances that allowances are not viewed as property rights. Cumulatively, there was a consensus that any carbon pricing legislation should assure a strong cap, with a clear price signal to reduce GHG emissions in the most equitable manner feasible.

- Mary suggested a few revisions to clarify ACSI's recommendation around the wood smoke ordinance.
- Committee members suggested clarifications to the section in the letter that covers energy and health performance.
- A note of support for the upcoming EJ resolution will be added along with a recommendation to engage with the City on Portland Clean Energy Fund should the measure pass in November.

DISCUSS ACSI RECRUITMENT

- **Sam** will send an email to ACSI regarding member recruitment.
- It was noted that Mary and Ralph will be rolling off of ACSI at the end of the year

PLAN FOR ACSI PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

- The ACSI presentation to the board was not discussed during the meeting due to time limitations. This will be discussed during the follow-up call to approve ACSI's letter to the Board.

Meeting Adjourned