

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Student Engagement | Student Affairs
Student Sustainability Committee



SSC Board Meeting

The Student Sustainability Committee is a group of undergraduate and graduate students dedicated to building a more sustainable Illinois campus, with the partnership of a team of staff and faculty members. SSC allocates funds annually toward the development and seed-funding of projects that have an environmental impact on the university community.

- I. Meeting Called to Order on: March 11, 2021
- II. Meeting Called to Order at: 4:01 pm
- III. Purpose of Meeting
- IV. Attendance
 - a. Present: Jack, Sammy, Caitlin, Esther, Liz, Eric G., Caitlin, Sari, Andrew, Morgan, Meredith, Emmarie, Lucy, Cici, Maria, Hunter, Emma, Julia
 - b. Absent: Holly, Matt, Tori, Nicole, Mallory, Scotlyn, Albert, Natalie, Eric B, Barry, McKenzie, Kevin, Kyle, Alexandra, Gina, Lisa, Amanda, David
- V. Agenda Items
 - a. Potential Project Inquiry
 - i. Allison M. Bell (Professor in School of Integrative Biology)
 - ii. *"My lab is interested in upgrading our current -80 freezer to a more energy efficient one. Can you please advise whether purchasing an energy efficient -80 might qualify for funding from the SSC?"*
 - iii. Advise from Jessica Brinkworth
 1. Have a long life before having to replace
 2. Range under \$20,000
 - b. ICAP Portal Working Group Themes vs SSC Working Groups
 - i. Meredith: *"It may be worth clarifying to Caitlin though that we do not have a research/funding working group – it is a theme on the ICAP Portal though. I think a SSC working group for engagement would be beneficial to combine Environmental Justice, Education, and Engagement all together?"*

- ii. SSC working group themes serve to be more on the vague side therefore the current names are working harmoniously but perhaps there could be further discussion on the matter.
 - 1. Update the application to include the appropriate grouping that can be utilized moving forward. Changes can be made over the summer.
 - 2. There should be a more clear indication to the ICAP Portal on the application
 - c. Illinois Green Fund Divestment
 - i. Jack proposes the idea that SSC fund be redirected away from investment in fossil fuel companies to a more socially conscious fund.
 - ii. Fund Summary:
 - 1. CET: \$7,438
 - 2. SCE: \$20,688
 - 3. Total Spring Expenditure: \$36,342
 - d. Metrics Collection from Applications
 - i. SSC would be interested in participating in this data collection.
 - 1. It would be smart to include a section on the application that works on the already existent environmental/social injustice.
 - e. Meeting Stimulation
 - i. It is highly recommended that SSC members attend board meetings in person, as it allows for a more intriguing and open discussion.
 - f. Competition Planning Members
 - i. SI & Comms (Julia)
 - g. SSC News
 - i. Gina is now Director of Civil Life (Promotion), there will be a new supervisor – Jim Hintz
 - ii. SSC should make Gina an E-Card!
 - h. Revolving Loan Fund
 - i. SSC has contributed to this fund before and it would be great to have more people take a look at the revolving loan fund.

VI. Action Items

- a. Team Member's Scheduled Responsibilities (Need to be met before next meeting.)
 - i. Working Groups
- b. Engineering a Greener Future Sustainability Mural Project - \$3,966.66
 - i. Motion to Approve: Caitlin
 - ii. Second: Julia
 - 1. Yes: 9
 - 2. No: 0
 - 3. Abstain: 0

VII. Items to be Discussed at Forthcoming Meeting

VIII. Date of Forthcoming Board Meeting

- a. March 25, 2022 @4-5pm CIF Rm 3038

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IX. Meeting Adjourned at: 4:49pm