



## **Superintendent's Advisory Council on Sustainability**

**Meeting Minutes from March 25, 2025**

**Independent Hill Complex, Building 52, Training Room**

### **Meeting Outcome:**

Members will understand the benefits of outdoor classrooms and gardens, learn about successful high-performance building projects and emerging technologies, and develop actionable recommendations for future initiatives.

### **Members in Attendance:**

Jessica Doiron	Ashley Johnson	Kristy Jones	Karen Juarez
Jessica Oswalt	Sarah Plumitallo	Cecily Salvador	Corinne Vetter
Audrey Wideman			

### **Non-Member in Attendance:**

Chris Wade (CMTA)

### **Members Absent:**

Victoria Almendras	Agha Durrani	Tate Jordan	Jennifer Heilen
Joshua McKelvey	Leah Moore	Kate Murphy	Andrew Thompson

### **PWCS Facilitators/Observers:**

Samantha Burdette	Aleta Deans	Jesse Gubert	James Higgins
Jessica Weimer			

Agenda Item	Most Responsible Person	Comments
Call to Order	Jessica Doiron, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dr. Doiron called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.</li> </ul>
Opening Remarks and Approval of <a href="#">01.28.2025 Meeting Minutes</a>	Jessica Doiron, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motion to approve 01.28.2025 minutes: Ms. Jennifer Reed, second by Ms. Karen Juarez. Motion passed: 9-0, 9 not present at vote.</li> </ul>
Citizen Comment Time	Jessica Doiron, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not citizens present to comment.</li> </ul>
Presentation: Outdoor Classrooms + Gardens	Presenter: Aleta Deans, Energy & Sustainability Team, Sustainability Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Several PWCS schools have implemented on-site composting.</li> <li>Ensure the proper approval process is followed before proceeding with Outdoor Classroom projects.</li> </ul>
Presentation: High Performance Buildings – Successes of past and current projects; Trends and emerging technologies	Presenter: Chris Wade, CMTA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EU: Anything in the building that consumes energy = total energy in the building divided by square footage.</li> <li>Geothermal – HVAC related</li> <li>Some recent work with PWCS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indoor Air Quality analysis</li> <li>6 Schools LED lighting project</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Discussion: Upcoming Recommendations	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluate recommendations concerning Outdoor Learning Environments, FTEs, landscaping equipment, Sustainability Liaisons, food waste, and related topics.</li> <li>Possibility of creating and introducing a week-long Sustainability Intelligence course into the curriculum for teachers.</li> <li>Are Sustainability Liaisons required at each school? Sustainability Liaisons are highly encouraged at each school, though not mandatory.</li> <li>Develop lessons that complement the outdoor learning environment.</li> <li>Questions about considering reinstating the Environmental Literacy Coordinator.</li> </ul>

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Chair's Corner	Jessica Doiron, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distribute last year's recommendations for review to prepare for this year's upcoming recommendations.</li> <li>• Focus the next meeting's agenda solely on this year's recommendations.</li> <li>• April 24 at Independent Nontraditional School – Student Environmental Action Showcase <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Send out the link to the SEAS Launchpad page, recommendations, and a bullet point of recommendation ideas.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Adjournment	Jessica Doiron, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next meeting of the Full Council is scheduled for May 20, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Independent Hill Complex, Building 52 Training Room.</li> <li>• Dr. Doiron adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.</li> </ul>

**Next Meeting – Tuesday, May 20, 2025**  
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