President's Commission on Carbon Neutrality Commission Meeting #3 4/12

12 April 2019 /1:30 PM/ NORTH CONFERENCE ROOM, GRAHAM

ATTENDEES

Hank Baier, Andrew Berki, Steve Forrest, Austin Glass, Jennifer Haverkamp, Brandon Hofmeister, Drew Horning, Gregory Keoleian, Larissa Larsen, Jonathan Overpeck, Barry Rabe, Camilo Serna, Anna Stefanopoulou, Missy Stults, Logan Vear, Lisa Wozniak

Regrets: Liz Barry, Tony Denton, James Holloway

Started promptly at 1:30pm

Updates on engagement efforts since the last meeting

The co-chairs opened with a summary of engagement conducted since the previous meeting, which included engagement with:

- Academic Planning Group (i.e., U-M Deans)
- Associate Deans Group
- Graham Sustainability Institute External Advisory Board
- Global CO2 Initiative Advisory Group
- Local A2 citizens advocacy group
- 2 Town Hall events with roundtable conversations
- Special Public Session with President Schlissel

Future engagement:

- Ongoing engagement and communication in many forms and with many different stakeholders will be essential
- There are conceptual plans for a town-gown engagement geared toward the broader A2 area community perhaps in June around the A2 Green Fair
- Engaging with key decision makers (e.g., President, Board of Regents) at key milestones will be important

Presentation and discussion on U-M GHG emission reduction – past progress and current status, and plans (Hank Baier and Andy Berki)

LINK TO PRESENTATION

Key notes:

- Data shown is for Ann Arbor campus only. It does not include Flint and Dearborn which are also in scope for the Commission
- Forecasts reflect "business as usual" approach and could change based on Commission recommendations that are adopted by the university
- U-M's heating infrastructure, which is currently fueled by natural gas, will be a key issue for the Commission to address
- The State of Michigan and much of the U.S. face similar challenges related to current reliance on natural gas heating infrastructure

Discussion of Draft Work Plan

All Commission members had the opportunity to comment on a draft work plan in advance of the meeting, and a revised draft reflecting that input was shared prior to the meeting. This revised draft plan was discussed in detail at the meeting. Based on that discussion further refinements will be made to the work plan with a goal of finalizing it before the next Commission meeting and moving quickly to implementation. The final work plan will be made public.

Meeting ended 3:05pm.