Ball State University Unit-level Sustainability Planning

[as mandated in Goal IV_F of the 2007-2012 Ball State University Strategic Plan]

A Sustainability Plan

for the

College of Fine Arts

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Achievements to Date

The following are our short-form question responses within the categories of Governance and Administration, Operations, Curriculum and Research, and Community Service and Outreach. In developing these short-form responses, we are pleased to report significant achievements in these areas and have identified opportunities for further development/transformation.

[Provide brief descriptions for each affirmative or goal response]

<u>Go</u>	veri	nance a	and Administration
Y		Goal	. The unit has standing committees to address issues of sustainability.
Y	N 	Goal	The unit gives assigned load and/or a staff position dedicated to sustainability initiatives.
Y	N 	Goal 3.	The unit has established policies that encourage sustainability initiatives.
Y	N 	Goal	The unit has sustainability integrated into its mission statement.
Y	N 	Goal 5.	The unit maintains active membership in organizations engaged in promoting sustainability.
Y	N 	Goal 6.	The unit encourages and rewards research related to sustainability.
Y	N 	Goal	The unit encourages and rewards the integration of sustainability issues into course material.

Op Y ⊠	erations N Goal	The unit purchases/uses Energy Star Office and Telecommunications Equipment As suggested and supported by Purchasing.
Y 	N Goal 2.	The unit has policies to restrict paper use. Whenever possible, college communications are handled via email. When appropriate, lengthy documents are printed and copied "front and back."
Y	N Goal 3.	The unit uses recycled paper. Recycled paper is used in copiers and desktop printers.
Y	N Goal M 4.	The unit recycles all materials accepted by the university system.
Y	N Goal Solution Services 5.	The unit has appropriate recycling bins throughout its offices.
Y	N Goal	The unit has policies that encourage the use of teleconferencing capabilities to limit travel. CFA has recently installed teleconferencing facilities and strongly encourages faculty to make use of them.
Y	N Goal	The unit specifies hybrid electric vehicles for travel. Such vehicles have been used when available and appropriate.
Y	N Goal M B.	The unit shows preference for sustainable lodging for professional travel.
Y 	N Goal	The unit uses washable dinner/service ware for its meetings/receptions. Washable dinnerware is used in our Conference Room.
Y	N Goal). The unit purchases/uses remanufactured office furniture.

Y	N	Goal 11	1. The unit purchases/uses sustainable materials for office furnishings.
Y	N	Goal	2. The unit discourages the use of single-occupant automobile travel. When appropriate, travel is accomplished as a group.
Y	N 	Goal	3. Classroom, Office and/or Restroom lighting for the unit is controlled by occupancy sensors.
Y	N	Goal 🔀 14	4. The unit's thermostats are set to minimize energy use for heating and cooling.
<u>Cu</u> Y □		culum Goal 1.	The unit has courses dedicated to issues related to sustainability.
Y	N	Goal 2.	The unit has courses with sustainability content. See departmental documents.
Y 	N	Goal 3.	The unit has courses in which students are encouraged to address sustainability issues in their assignments. See departmental documents.
Y	N 	Goal	The unit recognizes sustainability courses from other departments as legitimate electives for credit in its programs.
Y	N 	Goal 5.	The unit has dedicated sustainability courses that can be taken for credit as part of a major or minor outside of the unit.

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Y N	N Goal	Members of the unit have conducted research on issues of sustainability in their discipline.
Y N	N Goal	Members of the unit have published on issues of sustainability in their discipline.
Y N	N Goal	Members of the unit attend conferences that address issues of sustainability.
Y N	N Goal	Members of the unit belong to associations dedicated to sustainability issues.
Y N	N Goal	The unit has hosted workshops on issues of sustainability.
Y N	N Goal	The unit has hosted conferences on issues of sustainability.

Community Service and Outreach			
Y N Goal 1. The unit engages in public and/or outreach activities that address issues of sustainability.	f		
Y N Goal 2. The unit is in partnership with others in the community in the pursuit of sustainability.			
Y N Goal 3. The unit participates in community events that address issues of sustainab	ility.		
Y N Goal A. The unit has initiated community endeavors in pursuit of sustainability.			

Existing conditions as baseline (data as available)

In preparing our short-form responses to the questions in the previous section, we accumulated the following data sets. These comprise the numerical underpinnings specific to our College.

A List of Academic Offerings

Topical Sustainability Lectures
Topical Sustainability Modules
Sustainability Courses
Sustainability Programs
Sustainability Concentrations
Sustainability Degree Offerings
Sustainability Immersive On-and Off-Campus Experiences

Existing conditions as baseline (data as available) A List of Faculty, Staff and Student Activities

Professional Academic Organizations
Professional Staff Organizations
Student Associations and Clubs
Hybrid Fleet Vehicle Use Such vehicles have been used when appropriate.
Hybrid Electric Shuttle Bus Use
Bicycling
Carpooling
MITS Bio-Diesel Bus Use
Conference Travel; Carbon Offset Purchases (and others)

Existing conditions as baseline (data as available) A List of Operational Commitments in the Building(s) We Occupy

Building Use: Lamps, Occupancy Sensors, Waterless Urinals			
Material Use/Recycling: Paper, Water, Cartridges, Cans, Glass, Wet Garbage			

Food Use/Recycling: Local Sourcing, Washable Dinnerware Washable dinnerware is used in our Conference Room.

Goals

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Given our assessment of where things stand, we have identified the following goals for our unit.
Governance and Administration
Operations.
1. During spring semester 2006, CFA sought and received funds to build a teleconferencing facility for use by faculty in conducting distance learning enterprises such as masterclasses, lectures, and performances. We will continue to strongly encourage faculty to make use of this facility in lieu of traveling to distant locations or as an alternative to bringing guest artists and lecturers to campus.
2. An energy audit conducted by knowledgeable university personnel would be useful in assisting us in determining how we can improve our overall position with regard to sustainability issues. Many of these issues would likely fall under the purview of Facilities and Planning.
Curriculum
Research
Community Service and Outreach

Implementation

We have aligned specific action items with the 5-year cycling of the Strategic Plan and anticipate being able to move forward in the respective categorical areas, as described below.

2008	Action Items	Resource Needs
Governance	e and Administration	
research int utilizing teld masterclass	one or more grants which propose to fund to the effectiveness of "digital masterclasses" econferencing facilities, versus traditional es. CFA faculty member Timothy Clinch to serve as principal investigator.	Grant funding for guest artists willing to participate in both oncampus masterclasses and digitally based distance masterclasses.
determining with regard	gy audit would be useful in assisting us in g how we can improve our overall position to sustainability issues. Many of these d likely fall under the purview of Facilities an	Knowledgeable university personnel to conduct the audit; funds to support the audit and to implement the recommendations.
Curriculum	1	
Research		
Community	Service and Outreach	

2009 Action Items Resource Needs

Governance and Administration	
Operations	
1. Following successful grant funding, conduct research	
into the effectiveness of the digital masterclass as	
compared with the traditional masterclass.	
compared with the traditional master class.	
Curriculum	
Research	
Community Service and Outreach	
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Governance and Administration	
Operations	
1. Disseminate research results to faculty to further	
encourage the use of teleconferencing facilities	
for digital masterclasses.	
Curriculum	
Research	
Community Service and Outreach	

2011 Action Items	Resource Needs
Governance and Administration	
Operations	
Curriculum	
Research	
Community Service and Outreach	

2012 Action Items	Resource Needs
Governance and Administration	
Operations	
Operations	
Consideration	
Curriculum	
Descend	
Research	
Community Service and Outreach	
Community Service and Outreach	