



**CESAS Meeting Summary**  
**102 Ward Hall, Kansas State University**  
**May 6, 2014**

**Participants:**

Ben Champion, Office of Sustainability	Kathryn Douglass, Biological Systems Engg,
Larry Erickson, Ch.E., CHSR, KNRC	Ron Madl, Grain Science & Industry
Huston Gibson, College of Architecture and LA/RCP	Jean Waters, Univ. of Nebr.-Omaha
Jason Brody, LA/RCP	

1. The agenda was reviewed and there were no changes.
2. Technical Assistance for a Sustainable Kansas (TASK) is continuing.
3. The Sustainable Brownfields (TAB) program is active with many presentations and programs; a proposal was submitted to EPA to enhance activities in communities where environmental justice issues are important.
4. There is continuing interest in community sustainability and how to advance sustainable communities activities. The Dialog on Sustainability will focus on communication related to sustainability topics.
5. Several undergraduate students will conduct research related to solar powered charge stations for plug-in vehicles this summer.
6. Sustainability planning for 2025 was discussed. There are many aspects of the 2025 report that can be implemented. Comments are invited on the report.
7. The book by David Abram, 'Becoming Animal,' was recommended.
8. The future of the Office of Sustainability at K-State will depend on actions taken related to the K-State 2025 Sustainability Strategic Action Plan. There is a need for both leadership at the university level and within Colleges and other administrative units. Sustainability includes all of the university including facilities, operations, and student programs. The director's office should be located closer to the heart of the campus than Edwards Hall.
9. The Earth Day and EcoFest activities added to the educational experiences of many. There were many presentations as well as supporting activities.
10. Huston Gibson provided an update on plans for the Dialog on Sustainability on Saturday, July 19. The focus is on language used to communicate sustainability ideas. There are invitations for speakers from Univ. of Kansas and Univ. of Oklahoma. Jean Waters was encouraged to come and help as well.
11. Sustainability Seminar will meet at 8:30 a.m., on Fridays in Rathbone 1052 starting May 30. Ben Champion will be the first speaker on the topic "Sustainability at K-State", on May 30. We discussed the July program on sustainability at K-State and decided that it should focus on the future.
12. We discussed the new National Climate Assessment report that has just been issued. Jean Waters reported on sustainable procurement efforts at the Univ. of Nebraska.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, June 10, 2014, at 3:30 p.m.

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