**Landscape Stewardship Meeting**

**March 11, 2020**

**Debrief invasive plants workshop part I (all)**

* Workshop went very well with about 25 people in attendance.
* Attendees were very engaged with Leslie and seemed interested in the field component.

**Plan details for invasive plants workshop part II (Leslie/Larry/Charlie)**

* Group proposed Friday, April 17, with a rain date of May 1, but event will have to be tabled for now due to the COVID-19 situation.
* Location possibilities: Sculpture Garden and area between Event Center and Ticket Building
* If the group is large enough, we can split into two groups.
* Ask participants to wear sturdy shoes and bring gloves, hat, and clippers if possible. FM also has tools.
* Plan is to “leave what we cut.”

**Updates from Office of Sustainability (Ryan and Kayla)**

* Ryan introduced Kayla Hickman, new Sustainability Coordinator.
* The Sustainability Program has a very robust website (<https://sustainability.umbc.edu/>) that contains much more information that updates presented here.
* Climate Action Plan (CAP): The CAP details UMBC’s plans and ongoing commitment with Second Nature to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions. The 2020 CAP identifies a goal of net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 while improving UMBC’s adaptive capacity to a changing climate.
* Green Office Relaunch: Had been scheduled for late March, but postponed due to campus closure.
* Recylemania (soon to be called Race to Zero Waste) has also been postponed.
* First AASHE STARS report submitted with UMBC attaining a Silver rating! (Acronym stands for: Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education - Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System.)

**Sunrise Movement (Elle and Michael)**

* Sunrise is a movement of young people fighting to stop the climate crisis. (<https://www.sunrisemovement.org/>)
* They are working toward a Green New Deal: a 10-year plan to mobilize every aspect of American society to 100% clean and renewable energy by 2030, a guaranteed living-wage job for anyone who needs one, and a just transition for both workers and frontline communities.
* National and local protests had been planned for April 22 and 24, respectively, but they have been postponed.
* UMBC students may want to organize their own local chapter.

**NWF Certified Wildlife Habitat check-in (Sarah)**

* Group reviewed criteria for certification and UMBC is still going beyond minimum requirements!
* Should we “invite” CCBC or Catonsville High to become certified? (Tabled for a future meeting)

**Audubon Campus**

* Sarah has volunteered to be an advisor for a student-led chapter at UMBC.
* Chapters are required to complete one conservation action per year.
* Interested students should contact Sarah Hansen.