

## Just Transitions Subcommittee of the Vermont Climate Council July 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Date/Time: July 1, 2021 4–5:30 PM: Meeting recorded to be posted online.

Subcommittee Members Present: Kiah Morris, Sarah Phillips, Kelly Klein, Chris Company, Virginie Diambou, Danielle Bombardier, Iris Hsiang

Staff Present: Jane Lazorchak, Liz Shields, Amanda Carlson, Ross MacDonald, Marian Wolz

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- 4:00 PM Welcome & Check In – What are you excited about that’s growing in your yard or garden?
- Approval of Agenda and Minutes from [6/17/2021](#) - Approved
  - Announcements:
    - Nadia has stepped down from this subcommittee
    - Sarah put out a call to look out for another subcommittee member - people from marginalized and BIPOC communities especially encouraged
- 4:21 PM Review & Discussion of Feedback on Draft Guiding Principles
- Claire shared comments and edits she received about the Guiding Principles
    - When & how should these principles be used?
    - Using principles and rubric brought up questions about data needed to support these principles, but acknowledgment that too much data collection can be invasive
  - Reaction to rubric:
    - How to not lose quantitative nuance while using qualitative data
    - Add negative values?
  - Discussion amongst subcommittee members about comments and edits proposed
- 5:00 PM Public Comment  
No public comment
- 5:01 PM Public Engagement Check-In
- *What do we want our Subcommittee role to be with public engagement moving forward? (beyond advisory)*
    - Jane gave update from public engagement team- working to build interactive, attractive website by early Aug, working on marketing collateral, doing interviews and roundtables with frontline and impacted communities, as well as sectoral leaders – **presentation of engagement strategy being presented 7/12 at 1PM to Steering Committee**
- 5:16 PM Other Business & Updates
- Reporting Back from Other Sub Committees, Steering Committee & Full Council:

- Iris shared from Ag & Ecosystems subcommittee that task groups have been using Guiding Principles and Rubric
- Kelly reported back from Cross Sector mitigation – they received presentations about electricity, weatherization, and thermal sectors
- Additional Updates from Director Lazorchak
  - She shared that Science & Data subcommittee held open, inclusive workshop where significant amount of time was devoted to public comment, and the public feedback was very positive

#### Future Subcommittee Meetings

- Sarah spoke about a couple tasks forces that could use the attention of the Just Transitions subcommittee
  - Workforce development weatherization workgroup
  - Energy counseling – providing resource to people on how to access resources for energy efficiency
- Jane shared a comment that has come up often, other subcommittees asking for help operationalizing Guiding Principles and Scoring Rubric
  - She is developing a simplified bid for subcontractor
  - Jane asked for help crafting scope of work
    - Chris volunteered

5:41 PM Adjourn