

# Sustainability Committee Agenda

Green Hall (GR) 2.326

## Attendance Checklist:

Name	Committee Position	Attendance
<b>Quorum = 4 Voting Members Present</b>		
Carolyn Reichert	Chair (Vote)	X
Marilyn Waligore	Vice Chair (Vote)	X
Sy Han Chiou	Faculty (Vote)	X
Craig Lewis	Staff (Vote)	X
Deborah Reynolds	Staff (Vote)	
Jennifer Good	Student (Vote)	
Joey Campain	Student (Vote)	
Calvin Jamison	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Doug Tomlinson	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Robin Russell/ John Walls	Ex Officio (No Vote)	X
Gary Cocks	Ex Officio (No Vote)	X
Evan Paret	Staff Support	X
Sami Manuel	Visitor	
Aleks Adamopoulos	Visitor	X
Morganne Blaylock	Visitor	
Alice Presti	Visitor	
Kim Rahebi	Visitor	X
Aaron Koehler	Visitor	X
Erica Black	Visitor	
Zach Greenberg	Visitor	X
John McCaskill	Visitor	X
Donovan Bays	Visitor	X
Richard Shen	Visitor	
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### I. Greetings

- a. Introduce Doug as new Ex Officio

### II. Minutes Approval

### III. Speaker

- a. Zach Greenberg – Fair Labor Association and Workers Rights Consortium

### IV. New Business

### V. Facilities Management / Sustainability Office

- a. Food Waste Diversion (monthly report)
- b. City of Plano Commercial Recycling Tour
- c. Tree Campus USA

### VI. Old Business

- a. Fair Labor Association/Worker's Rights Consortium Proposal for Spring

### VII. Past Events

### VIII. Future Events

- a. RecycleMania; Jan. 20 – Apr. 1
- b. TRACS Summit 2019; Feb. 17-19
- c. Alternative Spring Break; Mar. 17-22
- d. Earth Week; Apr. 22-26
- e. Sustain. Ambassador Workshop, Apr. 18
- f. Sustain. Service Honor Ceremony; May 1

### IX. Discussion (around the table)



# T R A C S



## Welcome!

The Texas Regional Alliance for Campus Sustainability (TRACS) is a network of faculty members, students and sustainability professionals supporting higher education in Texas by implementing climate change and sustainability solutions across campus operations, academic curriculum and off-campus fields of influence. TRACS facilitates collaboration between higher education institutions through a variety of means including the Annual TRACS Summit. TRACS is supported by volunteer members representing Texas colleges and universities.

**The 2019 TRACS Summit is being hosted by Huston-Tillotson University, February 17 – 19, 2019. Register to attend and submit your proposal today!**

### Bringing Environmental Justice to Campus



**Huston-Tillotson University**  
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Registration  
[www.tinyurl.com/TRACS2019](http://www.tinyurl.com/TRACS2019)



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## Minutes

Start 4:00 PM

- Attendance
  - Carolyn Reichert
  - Marilyn Waligore
  - Sy Han Chiou
  - Craig Lewis
  - Robin Russell
  - Gary Cocke
  - Evan Paret
  - Aleks Adamopoulos
  - Kim Rahebi
  - Aaron Koehler
  - Zach Greenberg
  - John McCaskill
  - Donovan Bays
  
- Greetings
  - Introduce Doug as new Ex Officio
    - All attendees introduced themselves.
    - Doug is currently out of town.
    - Rick Dempsey has retired and Doug will be replacing Rick on the committee.
  
- Minutes Approval
  - There were no objections to approving the minutes.
  - Minutes approved.
  
- Speaker
  - Zach Greenberg – [Fair Labor Association](#) and [Workers Rights Consortium](#)
    - Zach presented on what the FLA/WRC is and our membership status quo.
    - Zach verbally requested approval be granted through the Sustainability Committee to proceed with efforts for UT Dallas to become an FLA member.
    - The committee voted in favor and approval granted.
  
- New Business
- Facilities Management / Sustainability Office
  - Food Waste Diversion (monthly report)
    - 5,200 lbs. of food waste was diverted in December 2018
  
  - City of Plano Commercial Recycling Tour
    - Evan and Gary met with [The City of Plano Commercial Recycling](#) Team on Jan. 10.
    - The team received a LEED building tour including discussions on sustainability.
  
  - Tree Campus USA
    - UT Dallas has earned its third annual designation as [Tree Campus USA](#) 2018.

- Old Business
  - Fair Labor Association/Worker’s Rights Consortium Proposal for Spring
  
- Past Events
  
- Future Events
  - [RecycleMania](#); Jan. 20 – Apr. 1
  - [TRACS Summit 2019](#); Feb. 17-19
    - UT Dallas Sustainability Team will be presenting on Material Management and Sustainability.
  
  - Mt. Trashmore; Mar. 13
    - This will include a mountain of trash and recycling at the Chess Plaza on-campus.
    - The event will be held from 9 AM to 2 PM.
    - This is an event to promote RecycleMania.
  
  - [Alternative Spring Break](#); Mar. 17-22
  - Sustain. Ambassador Workshop, Apr. 18
    - This will be to train university staff on how to participate in the Green Office Certification Program and offered programs through the Sustainability Office.
    - This is open to all students, staff, and faculty.
    - Evan will develop a registration survey for interested individuals.
    - Max capacity is 50.
  
  - [Earth Week](#); Apr. 22-26
    - The Sustainability Office will be hosting a new booth during Earth Fair that is oriented toward Bee Campus USA.
    - So far, there will be an Earth Fair, Earth X Film Screening, Bee Hive Installs, and Garden Work day.
  
  - Sustain. Service Honor Ceremony; May 1
    - This is for students who have met the minimum qualifications for the Global Citizen Sustainable Honors Service Award.
    - The ceremony will be at the Plinth.
    - The event will include networking, a ceremony, a speaker, and a service project.
  
- Discussion (around the table)
  - There was discussion on sending a digital version of the sustainable service honors certificate to awarded students in addition to the physical certificate.
  - The sustainability club link through Orgsync is down. Efforts are being made to resolve the issue.
  - There was interest in researching means to minimize power consumption during events. The idea came up about a [solar trailer](#).
  - There are plans in the works to offer both an undergrad and graduate level sustainable communities course.
  - Send updates on the Sustainability Ambassador training to Communications.
  - The UT Dallas magazine had a section on “bees”.

