



September 4, 2019

2:00 PM

Engineering & Computing  
Sciences West (ECSW) 3.210

# Sustainability Committee Agenda

Attendance Checklist:

Name	Committee Position	Attendance
<b>Quorum = 4 Voting Members Present</b>		
Carolyn Reichert	Chair (Vote)	
Lev Gelb	Vice Chair (Vote)	
Lloyd Dumas	Faculty (Vote)	
Craig Lewis	Staff (Vote)	
Deborah Reynolds	Staff (Vote)	
Kara Peak	Student (Vote)	
Genna Campain	Student (Vote)	
Calvin Jamison	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Doug Tomlinson	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Robin Russell/ John Walls	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Gary Cocke	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Caitlin Griffith	Staff Support	
Aleks Adamopoulos	Visitor	
Alice Presti	Visitor	
Kim Rahebi	Visitor	
Aaron Koehler	Visitor	
Erica Black	Visitor	
Zach Greenberg	Visitor	
John McCaskill	Visitor	
Marilyn Waligore	Visitor	
Donovan Bays	Visitor	
Bernine Khan	Visitor	
Mario Lozano	Visitor/Housing Coord.	

- **Greetings**
- **Speaker**
  - **Dr. Michael Carriaga – Comets to the Core**
- **New Business**
  - **Committee Priorities and Goals**
  - **Patagonia Case Competition**
- **Facilities Management / Sustainability Office**
  - **Introducing Caitlin**
  - **AY 20 Goals**
  - **AASHE STARS Report**
  - **APPA Sustainability Award**
  - **Comets to the Core**
- **Old Business**
- **Past Events**
- **Future Events**
  - RCE Meeting – Aug 29
  - Butterfly Flutter By – Sept 17
  - RCE of Americas Conference – Sept. 22 – 26
  - Garden Upkeep – Sept 24
  - AASHE Conference – Oct 26 – 30
  - Viva Volunteer – Oct 26
- **Discussion (around the table)**

# Minutes

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## Attendance

- Carolyn Reichert
- Craig Lewis
- Kara Peak
- Genna Campain
- Robin Russell
- Gary Cocke
- Caitlin Griffith
- Kim Rahebi
- Erica Black
- Marilyn Waligore
- Bernine Khan
  
- Greetings
  - Everyone introduced themselves.
- Speaker
  - Dr. Carriaga will be contacted to speak at a future meeting.
- New Business
  - Potential Committee Priorities and Goals
    - Zero Waste
    - Green Office Certification
    - Sustainability Honors
    - Sustainable Labs
    - Alumni Involvement & Initiative
    - No Vehicle Idling
    - Sustainable Topics Speaker Series
      - UTD to possibly host RCE Symposium in Fall 2020.
    - Raise awareness and highlight initiatives across campus
      - Comet Calendar Events
      - Alumni outreach
      - Gary recently hired an SMU grad student intern that will be creating a UT Dallas Sustainability Master Plan.
        - A short (1/2 page) abstract of the report was recommended.
  - Patagonia Case Competition
    - Carolyn is the lead for this project.
    - <https://haas.berkeley.edu/responsible-business/events/patagonia-case-competition/>
- Facilities Management / Sustainability Office
  - Introducing Caitlin
    - Focus on growing office visibility and institutionalizing initiatives.
  - AY 20 Goals
    - Caitlin is creating promotional material, coordinating outreach opportunities, and institutionalizing programs.

- Gary is dedicating time to RCE committee.
  - AASHE STARS Report
    - Emphasis on UT Dallas earning gold from bronze.
    - Gold ranking aligns UT Dallas with peer institutions from strategic plan
  - APPA Sustainability Award
    - Highlighted culture and buy-in by campus community.
  - Comets to the Core
    - This year's focus is childhood poverty.
    - Gary is teaching a class addressing food waste in Wylie ISD.
    - Dr. Carriaga will speak on the initiative in a future meeting.
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- Discussion (around the table)
  - Motion to move to a more central meeting location.
    - Request to move to SLC 3.102 has been submitted and approved.
  - Event – Collin County AgriLife Extension Dinner Tonight Cooking School
    - October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 – Frisco Conference Center
    - Conference to promote healthy and sustainable food and lifestyles
    - Raffles and prizes (including a flat screen TV).

End 2:55 PM