

Sustainability Committee Agenda

Microsoft Teams

Attendance Checklist:

| Name | Committee Position | Attendance |
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| Quorum = 4 Voting Members Present | | |
| Dorothee Honhon | Chair (Vote) | x |
| Eric Schlereth | Vice Chair (Vote) | x |
| Stephanie Taylor | Faculty (Vote) | x |
| Jan Gebhard | Staff (Vote) | X |
| Lori Matthews | Staff (Vote) | |
| Allyson DeVerse | Student (Vote) / Green Initiative Representative | |
| Anastasia Whittemore | Student (Vote) | x |
| Calvin Jamison | Ex Officio (No Vote) | |
| Doug Tomlinson | Ex Officio (No Vote) | |
| Robin Russell/ John Walls | Ex Officio (No Vote) | x |
| Gary Cocke | Ex Officio (No Vote) | X |
| Caitlin Griffith | Staff Support (No Vote) | x |
| Taylor Lawson | UTD Housing Representative | |
| Will Heitman | ECO Representative | x |
| Genna Campain | Roosevelt Representative | |
| Dorian Evans | Visitor | x |
| Caroline Lonneman | Visitor | x |
| Paulina Hruskoci | Visitor | x |
| Marilyn Waligore | Visitor | x |
| Carolyn Reichert | Visitor | x |
| Lev Gelb | Visitor | x |
| Kim Rahebi | Visitor | x |

- **Greetings (5 min)**
 - Welcome Jan & Anastasia
- **Continuing Business (30 min)**
 - Waste Reduction Efforts Overview – Dr. Honhon/Dr. Reichert
 - Update on Single Use Plastic Policy Research – Dr. Honhon/Dr. Reichert
 - Feedback on [single-use plastic ban policy](#)
- **ECO Update (5 min)**
- **Green Initiative Update (5 min)**
- **Sustainability Office Update (10 min)**
- **Past Events**
 - AASHE Global Conference for Sustainability in Higher Education – October 20-22
 - Dallas College 10th Annual Sustainability Summit – November 6
 - UTD presentations over teaching SDGs and RCE North Texas
 - UTD - Bee Campus USA Webinar Presentation - Nov 12
 - Honors College Roundtable Conservation – Nov 13
 - AASHE Sustainability Month
 - Imagining a Zero Waste Campus – Oct. 19
 - Zero Waste Trivia Night – Oct. 23
 - Viva Volunteer – Oct. 24
 - You, Me, & Sustainability – Nov. 4
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 - Green Office Training – Nov. 13
- **Future Events**
 - Bee Balcony Workshop – Nov. 20
- **Discussion (around the table) (5min)**



Meeting Begins: 1:31PM

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 - Welcome Jan & Anastasia
 - Jan – Staff appointment, been in Auxiliary Service since 2014.
 - Anastasia – Sophomore, Economics major.
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 - This is a working draft.
 - Highlights what other universities have done.
 - Changes made based on feedback:
 - Clarified that we are not addressing laboratory plastics.
 - Added links to particular sources/universities.
 - Waste at UTD is not a complete section – more data is needed.
 - Left open the opportunity to include faculty and staff in the petition.
 - Still needs a cost-benefit analysis. Paulina offered using OZZI as a resource.
 - Disposable units purchased annually and price of these units, estimates of OZZI machines we would like to purchase.
 - Post Landfill Action Network asks that the highest-ranking member of a university (President) sign a pledge to ban single use plastics. UT Dallas would be featured on PLAN website.
 - Gary recommends asking University of California system to share data points, guidance, cost benefit analysis, and to serve as reviewers for UT Dallas.
 - Dorothee recommends recruiting a UC System contact as a speaker to a future meeting.
 - Paulina will put together slides for the spring. She will also put slides together to present to faculty.
 - Jan suggests the data could be tracked down through Chartwells. Auxiliary could be a resource. Jan will investigate data within Auxiliary Services.
 - Will offered opening a new petition specific to faculty and staff.
 - Lev recommends going through faculty senate first.
 - Paulina recommends urging Student Government to pass a resolution early spring semester.
- **ECO Update (5 min)**
 - Invited a speaker from a wildlife federation for final meeting to talk about conservation.
 - Received a donation of seeds from OoS. [Mailing wildflower seeds to students](#). Have received 32 ordered as of last night.
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