

# Sustainability Committee Minutes for December 4 2023

Microsoft Teams

Attendance Checklist:

Name	Committee Position	Attendance
<b>Quorum = 4 Voting Members Present</b>		
Dorothee Honhon	Chair (Vote)	
Erin Greer	Vice Chair (Vote)	
Melanie Spence	Faculty (Vote)	
Ijay Nkele	Staff (Vote)	
Alexis Rodriguez	Staff (Vote)	
Chandu Garapaty	Student (Vote)	
Alisa Model	Student (Vote)	
Calvin Jamison	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Jeremy Head	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Robin Russell/ John Walls	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Gary Cocke	Ex Officio (No Vote)	
Avery McKitrick	Staff Support (No Vote)	
Danielle Dunn	Staff Support (No Vote)	
Sravya Thotakura	ECO (Student Org) (No Vote)	

Also in Attendance:

- **Greetings – (5 min)**
- **Continuing Business (20 min)**
  - SUP Proposal Updates/Discussion
    - Updates from Ad Hoc Sub Committee
  - UTD-customized re-usable water bottles
  - Addressing food waste on campus
  - Dr. Greger (from nutritionfacts.org ) ‘s talk at UTD to discuss the health benefits of a plant based diet
    - Set for April 7
- **ECO Update (5 min)**
- **Green Initiative Update (5 min)**
- **Staff council (5 min)**
  
- **Office of Sustainability Update (15 min)**
  - TRACS 2024 – OOS staff and students attending
  - UNIV 3310 – Sustainable Development Goals and Local Action course next spring
  - Compost tilling at Eco Hub
  - Working with Council of Governments to include UTD initiatives in regional Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application.
  - 5 sustainability projects provided to Engineering Projects in Community Service (EPIC) Program
  - 2 panel submissions to South Central Climate Resilience Forum, April 2-4
    - Using Technology, Science, and Multi-sectoral Collaborations to Address Climate Resilience and Adaptation
    - Work, Health, Equity and City Living: The Social Impact of Climate Resilience and Adaptation
  - Honey sale planned for Spring!
- **Riddle / joke (2 mins)**



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@showerfeelings

If the pollution of oceans and overfishing continue, they'll have to update "there's plenty of fish in the sea" to "there are still some fish left among the trash", which is also far more accurate dating-wise.