

Faculty Senate Meeting
September 7, 2011
Minutes

Attendance: 36

Julie	Alexander	Library	LIB
Cheryl	Anderson	Nursing	CON
Randall	Bashaw	Social Work	SSW
Robert	Bing	Criminology/Crm Justice	COLA
Miriam	Byrd	Philosophy	COLA
Dan	Cavanagh	Music	COLA
Mark	Cichock	Political Science	COLA
Norman	Cobb	Social Work	SSW
Stephanie	Cole	History	COLA
Joe	Kongevick	Masters Theatre Arts	COLA
Minerva	Cordero-Epperson	Mathematics	COS
Jap	Efendi	Accounting	COB
Leonidas	Fegaras	Computer Science	COE
Jennifer	Fox	Nursing	CON
Sarah	Frisof	Music	COLA
Desiree	Henderson	English	COLA
David	Hopman	Architecture	ARCH
Brian	Horton	Communication	COLA
Haiying	Huang	Mechanical & Aerospace	COE
David	Hullender	Mechanical & Aerospace	COE
Seiji	Ikeda	Art & Art History	COLA
Tom	Ingram	Communication	COLA
Fernando	Jaramillo	Marketing	COLA
Douglas	Klahr	Architecture	ARCH
Judy	LeFlore	Nursing	CON
John	Priest	Industrial Engineering	COE
Anand	Puppala	Civil Engineering	COE
James Campbell	Quick	Goolsby/Management	COB
Barbara	Raudonis	Nursing	CON
Joseph	Sabbagh	Linguistics	COLA
Toni	Sol	Modern Languages	COLA
Jodi	Tommerdahl	Curriculum & Instruction	EDU&HP
Mike	Ward	Economics	COB
Lewis	Wasserman	Educational Leadership	EDU&HP
Andrew	White	Physics	COS
Robert	Young	Sociology & Anthropology	COLA

Guests:

President Spaniolo

Provost Bobbitt

Provost Designee Elsenbaumer

ACE Fellow George Low

Shorthorn Reporters

Handouts:

Meeting Agenda

Faculty Senate Information Form 2011-2012

Don Bobbitt's handout

Chair Ingram

2:30 p.m.

Senate was asked to pick up ballots to elect the Senate Chair and Secretary

I & II – Call to Order

Chair Ingram calls the meeting to order; Welcomes back returning members and new members;Carolynn Brown is introduced as the new minute taker replacing Judy Howard; the agenda is then followed as printed; President Spaniolo is presented to the body

III Remarks by President Spaniolo

The president gave a short overview of the state of the university. Some highlights were:

The new academic year record number of students this year in excess of last year's 32,500.

New parking garage added over 1100 spaces – please use them

College Park Center: scheduled its first event for February 1st basketball game with UT San Antonio; construction includes Vandergriff Hall honoring the late mayor of Arlington; the Lofts; 25,000 square feet of retail space; UT Arlington welcome center; 1800 total parking spaces; joining WAC in the next coming year; Incoming freshmen are impressive having finished high school in the top 10-25 percent of their class and scored in the top 10 percent on the SATs of any attending freshman class ever There were 1000 more returning students from last year thanks largely to University College George Low was introduced as ACE Fellow an exchange partnership with TCU where Dr. Buckwalter is serving in the same capacity.

Ron Elsenbaumer was introduced/presented as the Provost designee replacing Don Bobbitt

The president then thanked Provost Bobbitt for his tireless work and wished him well in his next job Turns the floor over to the Provost

IV Remarks by Provost Bobbitt

Touched on academic initiatives including the following:

Framework for Success— (See handout Metrics for annual evaluation of faculty performance)

Chancellors document framework

Students used to come here as transfer intendees—headed for UT Austin, Baylor, and SMU now 60-61% stay at UT Arlington; Retention is result of admission standards Reputation; Degree program; retention should be at least 80% we are pleased but never satisfied

Tom Ingram will distribute Dr. Bobbitt's handout to the senate regarding update on faculty profiles as per HB2504 mandated by the legislature

Enlisted faculty to assist with flow chart to update form that is going online and will be good for 5 years and information only has to be entered once

Form should be ready by this March

Turns the floor over to Ron Elsenbaumer

V Remarks by Ron Elsenbaumer VP Research/Provost Designee

Opportunities facing all of us

Announcement: Indirect Cost (IDC) successful in getting more in line new IDC rate 51.5%; new catch all bracket is 34% and new to our institution; off campus IDC is 28.6%

VI Chair Ingram takes questions

Q. Cavanaugh-Music: are there any plans for Texas Hall

A. President: there are no concrete plans as we transition to the new College Park Center

Q. Cichock – Political Science: given the recent police bulletins will there be an adequate police presence on the east side of the campus (College Park)

A. President: yes there will be an enhanced police presence which includes a station house

Comment: Courtney – CON: Faculty evaluations; attend faculty governance; policy in place

Q & A closed

President, Provost, and VP Research leave the meeting after being thanked for their participation

VII Chair Ingram – Quorum Call

Minutes from previous meeting were not available for approval

Called for a quorum-yes we have a quorum

Chair Ingram asked non-voting members to identify themselves: they were Julie Alexander (Library) and Stephanie Cole (Student Governance)

Last March meeting was cancelled due to ice storm

This is the start of a new year members will serve 1 ½ years instead of 2

VIII John Priest – Senate Officer Elections

Toni Sol (Modern Languages) was nominated for Chair (Elect) of Senate

Motion raised for more nominations none were added

Toni was elected and affirmed for chair by unanimous vote

Joe Kongevick (Theatre Arts) elected as Secretary

IX Remarks by Chair Ingram

Several members met with HR regarding background checks mandated by the system

All faculty passed background checks

Faculty satisfaction survey—senate does not communicate; need to do better; issues not discussed but were found in minutes; poor communication is constant issue

Equities Committee: commend Bob Young who will step down due to personal reasons

X UT System Faculty Advisory Council Report (– by Dan Formanowicz – past chair FAC)

Senate is on academic calendar; By-laws and HOP must match; met with general counselors several times this summer; discussions regarding faculty evaluations; in UT system cross-hairs; intent is to make post tenure review all tie together.

A discussion followed on the relationship between administration and the faculty senate concerning the collaborative or not so collaborative relationship between administration and the faculty senate.

In general, the communication network between administration, faculty senate and the departments is not as effective as it should be. The creation of a discussion list was suggested and will be considered for next meeting.

XI Tom Ingram
Special session on student evaluations—invite Dr. Silva
Please fill out Faculty information form

XII Meeting Adjourned 4 p.m.

2010 Officers

<i>Chair:</i> <u>Dr. Tom Ingram</u> Communication	<i>Secretary:</i> <u>Antoinette Sol</u> Modern Languages	<i>Parliamentarian:</i> <u>Douglas Klahr</u> Architecture
<i>Past Chair:</i> <u>Dr. John Priest</u> Industrial Engineering	<i>Texas Council of Faculty Senates:</i> <u>Dr. Joe Kongevick</u> Theatre Arts	