

**University of Texas at Tyler
Faculty Senate Meeting**

Date: June 9, 2015

Call to order: 1405

Adjourned: 1544

Members Present: David Beams; John Cater; Gloria Duke, Rebecca Fountain; Mary Fischer; Barbara Hart; Jim Koukl, John Lamb, Shelly Marmion; Mark Miller; Wycliffe Njororai; Vivek Pandey; Cathy Ross; Colin Snider; Lance Williams.

Guests: President Mabry, William Geiger, Neil Gray, Amy Hayes, S. Kambhaupah, & Michael McGinnis

Topic		
	Business Items	
Call to order Minutes	Meeting was called to order by Dr. Lance Williams at 1405. Motion made to approve last meeting minutes.	Approved
Presidents report	<p>New University Provost and Advancement VP (Wendell Jeffries) has been selected and will be here in August. Voiced appreciation to Dr. Ross Sherman for filling that position temporarily. Building funds are being passed through legislature for the business building. Alumni house will start later in summer.</p> <p>Outside of funding – Palestine special item passed in the legislature.</p> <p>Budget update is better related to improved student retention and recruitment</p> <p>State appropriations are up 8%. Online course numbers are up. Dual courses used in high school are reducing the freshmen year, which reduces budget.</p> <p>Legislative session is over with good results. Expect 2% merit raise, possible market adjustment, to be made with faculty salaries. TJC received baccalaureate granting privilege for dental hygiene only.</p>	Information only
	Enhancing Campus Communication	
Ad Hoc – Committee on Committees Dr. Mary Fischer	<p>A comprehensive list of the 2014-2015 University Committees along with the committee responsibilities and membership were shared with the senate members. Concern voiced that most University committees do not meet. Ad Hoc committee formed from senate members have reviewed committee organization with recommendations made. Ad Hoc committee membership included Dr. Gloria Duke, Dr. Mary Fisher, Dr. Lance Williams, and Dr. Wink.</p> <p>Recommendations for committees included:</p> <p>Faculty Emeritus – Will include all full time professors, with chair being president elect.</p> <p>Academic Affairs – Undergraduate AA to model graduate council with sub groups</p> <p>Arts and Performance – University President to lead related to donors and to retain recommended members.</p> <p>Intercultural Affairs Committee – Several committees will be combined to form (GATE, International),</p> <p>Space Allocation – Standing Committee, asked with faculty senate member to be a part of committee</p>	Committee report approved

	<p>HOP – Is under current review with a substantial revision required. HOP will need to continually need to be evaluated and revised as needed every 5 years.</p> <p>University Assessment Committee</p> <p>Honors committee-Each college is to have 1 member</p> <p>Other recommendations included:</p> <p>Formation of Distance Education Advisory committee with student representation</p> <p>Representation of University College requested for several committees</p> <p>Look at how chairs are being elected</p> <p>Some committees need to be chaired with tenure faculty members who have history at the University,</p> <p>Intellectual property committee</p> <p>6 governing areas – faculty senate, president, academic affairs, business affairs, student affairs, and OSRTT.</p> <p>Recommendation to move admissions recruitment/retention and student appeals committee from business affairs to academic affairs</p> <p>Lance called for motion to pass university committee restructure proposed changes</p> <p>Recommendation for provost to work with council of chairs to determine membership so no overloading of faculty would occur. First – G Duke, Second – Jim Koukhl.</p>	
	<p>IT – Department of Academic Transformation, with budget planned to renew technology across the University, utilizing same technology – Mark Miller will serve as faculty member from senate to improve room. There is going to be a mock room set up. Problems improving – intercom system to help desk, Live classroom – technology to use Zoom & Tegrity.</p> <p>Time frame – usability of classroom, number of hours, etc. Number of hours used will determine when classrooms will be updated. Computers will fall under Michael Vick, does not fall under Academic Affairs. Some rooms are updated with computers, some are not. Computers are to be left on 24/7</p>	
	<p>Faculty Profile and Activities</p>	
<p>Faculty advisory committee - Cathy Ross</p>	<p>Presented draft for “Academy of Distinguished Teachers” to be created so that great teaching and teachers at UT-Tyler may be recognized and honored.</p>	<p>Draft approved</p>
<p>V. Senate President comments – Lance Williams</p>	<p>Faculty Senate Resolution on University and College Alignment of Faculty Expectations and Evaluation presented to faculty from ad-hoc committee.</p> <p>Open communication required with faculty senate meeting notes to be placed on web page starting with 2015-2016 school year.</p>	<p>Resolution approved.</p>

Secretary: Rebecca Fountain
Submitted: July 17, 2015
President: Dr. Lance Williams
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