

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

Date: October 19, 2014

Call to order: _1402_____

Adjourned: __1608_____

Members Present: Ali Azghani; David Beams; John Cater; Gloria Duke, Rebecca Fountain; Mary Fischer; Michael Gangone; Barbara Hart; Jim Koukl; Shelly Marmion; Sara McCaslin; Mark Miller; Wycliffe Njororal; Vivek Pandley; Alma Ravenell; Cathy Ross; Linda Rath; Colin Snider Robert Stevens; Vance Vaughn.

Guests: Visitors: President Mabry, VP Jessie Acosta, VP William Geiger, VP Marzilli, VP Patterson, Chief Meadows,

Topic		
Call to order Minutes	Meeting was called to order by Dr. Lance Williams. Motion made to approve last meeting minutes.	Approved
	Enhancing Campus Communication	
I. President Q &A with Dr. Mabry	<p>Campus master planning – Jesse Acosta is in charge of this endeavor.</p> <p>University Woods district - Closely working with city of Tyler to beautify area around streets and wooded areas, including sidewalks around campus.</p> <p>Strategic planning – Plan for SACS will need to be completed by end of summer 2016.</p> <p>Provost search –Howard Patterson will be in charge. Please plan to attend meetings and review resumes. Goal is to begin interviewing in January.</p> <p>Bridge across spur to food area – Expensive. Asking city for short term solution, including crosswalk.</p> <p>Ebola – Looking at protocol for persons who travel to African areas who may be traveling home or who may be assisting with mission work and are on campus.</p>	Information only
II. Academic Affairs Dr. Marzilli	<p>Space Utilization – Space usage score. We have the lowest space utilization university in the UT system. Overall score is generated through different scores, including demand, utilization and average percent. Demand is number of classes divided by classrooms. Utilization score is time/number of classrooms. Our low space usage score makes it difficult to ask for building funds from coordinating board. Administration has been working with deans to improve scores. Some rooms in different programs will be changed to serve different purposes, which will effect class times for undergraduate students. Our goal is to raise utilization score to 34 or above. Will start looking at combining sections, etc. to meet 70% fill rate.</p> <p>ITV – Criminal justice is presently using zoom as pilot for distance education. ITV is very expensive and university will be moving away from this system.</p>	Information only

III. Student Affair Dr. Patterson & Chief Medders	<p>Chief Medders – <i>University Incident</i> – Described incident that occurred several weeks ago. Emergency alert system is only activated per protocol once incident is actively observed by police department. Initiation of emergency alert system takes longer than police responding to system. Discussed lessons learned from event: Chief to stay at office area in future to help with communication, All doors will be checked for being able to lock from classroom and future audit will assist in determining which classrooms need repaired. No pre-warning system is planned at this time. Will include distant campuses at next discussion of safety.</p> <p>Ebola: UTHSC is not a facility to receive person who has symptoms for Ebola</p> <p>Shuttle – 2 busses running, 5 days a week, 7:30-5:30</p> <p>Retention – is up this year</p>	
	Faculty Profile and Activities	
IV. FAC- Dr. Ross	See electronic notes regarding information from FAC	
V. Dr. Marzilli	<p>Testing center – concerns expressed about online testing and security, concern expressed about technology or lack of from students perspective, increasing amount of disabilities. Online ITV group will be giving 10% back to the college funds to be used for online faculty members. Looking at increasing numbers of core courses on online.</p> <p>Campus safety – bypassed discussion on this issue</p> <p>Committee charges & meetings – please send reports to Rebecca Fountain to place on blackboard.</p>	
VI. Senate Discussion	None:	

Secretary: Rebecca Fountain
Submitted: 10/17/2014
President: Dr. Lance Williams
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