Shared Governance Bodies
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Faculty have a special role!

Faculty
System FAC

Faculty
Faculty Senate

Staff
Staff Council

University Assembly
Standing Committees

Students
Student Government
Faculty Senate
www.utsa.edu/senate

- Faculty have a “major role in the governance of their respective institutions” (UT System Regents’ Rule 40101)

- At UTSA the Faculty Senate executes this role on behalf of the General Faculty

- The Faculty Senate reviews and formulates policy on educational matters, as well as on matters pertaining to faculty

Handbook of Operating Procedures (HOP)
www.utsa.edu/hop
Faculty Senate Procedures

- New administrative assistant: Sarah Leach
- Webpage: Meetings, minutes, resolutions [http://www.utsa.edu/senate/](http://www.utsa.edu/senate/)
- Bylaws: [http://www.utsa.edu/Senate/ByLaws/Article_I.html](http://www.utsa.edu/Senate/ByLaws/Article_I.html)
- Rowdyspace
  - Folder for each meeting containing all documents [https://rowdyspace.utsa.edu/department/FacultySenate/Meetings/2011-2012](https://rowdyspace.utsa.edu/department/FacultySenate/Meetings/2011-2012)
  - Folder for each committee to share information
- Group picture before next meeting (3:20pm)
Roles and Responsibilities of Faculty Senators

- Attend all Faculty Senate meetings or designate a substitute to represent the department.
- **Prior to meetings:** review documents and send comments to corresponding committee chairs.

- Regularly report Faculty Senate activity to the department faculty.
- Inform department faculty that agenda items and minutes are available at [http://www.utsa.edu/Senate/minutes.html](http://www.utsa.edu/Senate/minutes.html)
- Initiate meetings in the department to discuss issues being considered by the Faculty Senate.
Report items

- Faculty Senate representative at VPR’s RAC
- Super NTTs
- New F&A distribution guidelines
- Faculty gathering area on 4<sup>th</sup> floor of JPL
- Retired faculty association:
  - Marian Martinello (president), Judy Walmsley (secretary), Jim Broderick (treasurer)
  - Inaugural meeting on 9/28, 4pm-5:30pm, BB 2.06.08
- Need volunteer to work on Faculty Handbook
Update on HOP policies

- HOP 2.04 on faculty recruitment & new recruitment manual
  - Has been updated with Faculty Senate representation

- HOP 10.02
  - Was unanimously rejected by Faculty Senate (11/10 & 5/11)
  - Is now posted, after minor revisions. Revision memo: [https://rowdyspace.utsa.edu:443/department/FacultySenate/AdminMemos](https://rowdyspace.utsa.edu:443/department/FacultySenate/AdminMemos)
  - Major concerns remaining:
    1) Lack of due process, 2) Overreaching nature
  - Charge Faculty Senate RAC to follow up

- HOP amendment process:
  - Faculty Senate Executive Committee has proposed a revision
  - Working documents: [https://rowdyspace.utsa.edu:443/department/FacultySenate/Meetings/2011-2012/090811/ExecutiveCommittee](https://rowdyspace.utsa.edu:443/department/FacultySenate/Meetings/2011-2012/090811/ExecutiveCommittee)
IRB: Input for Federal Rule

- Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is revising the regulations on human subjects protections
- They are asking for input by September 26, 5pm EST
- Instructions on how to provide comments: http://themonkeycage.org/blog/2011/08/11/help-reform-the-institutional-review-board-irb-system/#comment-18501
- The folder on Rowdyspace https://rowdyspace.utsa.edu:443/department/FacultySenate/Meetings/2011-2012/090811/IRB_committee contains the following:
  - Advance notice of proposed rule making:
  - Table of questions
Announcements

● Strategic Planning Forums:
  ● Friday 9/9, 1pm-3pm, on student success (teaching)
  ● Tuesday 9/13, noon-2pm, on scholarly activities (research)

● SECC campaign:
  ● [www.utsa.edu/secc](http://www.utsa.edu/secc)
  ● Flyer: [https://rowdyspace.utsa.edu:443/department/FacultySenate/Meetings/2011-2012/090811/SECCFlyer.pdf](https://rowdyspace.utsa.edu:443/department/FacultySenate/Meetings/2011-2012/090811/SECCFlyer.pdf)