A Resolution to Review Plans to Relocate the College of Business

Whereas the Texas System (UT System) Regents’ Rules and Regulations (Rule 40101) states that faculty members at institutions in the UT System shall have a major role in the governance of their respective institutions, and

Whereas the Bylaws of the UTSA Faculty Senate (Article 1) state, “the Faculty Senate reviews and formulates policy and enacts legislation on all matters pertaining to the professional concerns, duties, standards, ethics, responsibilities, perquisites and work conditions of the UTSA faculty…,” and

Whereas faculty are uniquely positioned to know what will and will not benefit the student body and how faculty teaching and research programs will be impacted, and

Whereas faculty buy-in is essential to the success of any large-scale administrative initiative, and

Whereas changes to the physical location or administrative structure of colleges constitute a matter of professional concern for UTSA faculty, have important implications for the working conditions of UTSA faculty, will influence student success and faculty teaching and research programs, and will require faculty buy-in to accomplish university goals,

Be it resolved that:
(i) The Faculty Senate will create an ad hoc committee to initiate a review of the plans to relocate the College of Business to the downtown campus. Members of UTSA’s upper-administration, representatives from departments in the College of Business, and other relevant stakeholders (identified by the specially formed ad-hoc committee) will be invited to participate in the discussions.

(ii) This review will culminate in a report to the Faculty Senate for their vote on any recommendations or resolutions presented in the report. The results of the vote together with the report will be submitted to the appropriate members of the administration.
A Resolution on Faculty Governance

Whereas the Texas System (UT System) Regents’ Rules and Regulations (Rule 40101) states that faculty members at institutions in the UT System shall have a major role in the governance of their respective institutions with regard to several areas including general academic policies and welfare, and student life and activities, and

Whereas the Bylaws of the UTSA Faculty Senate (Article 1) state, “the Faculty Senate reviews and formulates policy and enacts legislation on all matters pertaining to the professional concerns, duties, standards, ethics, responsibilities, perquisites, and work conditions of the UTSA faculty…,” and

Whereas faculty are uniquely positioned to know what will and will not benefit the student body and faculty teaching and research programs, and

Whereas faculty buy-in is essential to the success of any large-scale administrative initiative,

Be it resolved that:

The Faculty Senate shall provide a forum for conducting a review of any administrative plans that may have significant impact on general academic policies, faculty welfare, and/or student life and activities. This review will culminate in a vote regarding the plans, and the vote will be disseminated to the appropriate members of the administration.