

UTSA[®] The University of Texas at San Antonio[™] FACULTY SENATE

Chair's Report

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WELCOME



- When you speak please say your name and department for others in the room and the minutes
- We follow Roberts Rules so please wait to be recognized by the Chair or SOGF
- Consent Agenda
- Welcome guests

ELECTIONS



- Secretary
- Vice Chair

UPDATES



- “Workload document clarification” file
 - Email from Heather Shipley (SVP of Academic Affairs) stating that the “Graduate Faculty” reference in the workload document includes all sub-categories
- New process for Senate to introduce HOP policy changes
 - We’ll work with the SVP of Academic Affairs to initiate possible future HOP changes

UPDATES



- **Plus / Minus grading**
 - See memo on SharePoint
 - AFEM will draft a new +/- grading HOP policy
 - Senate will vote on this new policy
 - AFEM will work with the SVP of Academic Affairs on Final Language
 - Final Language will then go through the regular HOP process
 - Senate will weigh in on final version
- **Laurie Lewis is the new AVP for faculty success**
 - <https://provost.utsa.edu/news/2019/10/story/1014-personnel-update.html>

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COMMITTEE UPDATES



- UT System Faculty Advisory Council (SYSFAC)
- University Leadership Council
- Joint President's Cabinet and University Leadership Council
- University HOP Committee
- Space and Planning Advisory Committee (SPAC)
- 21st Century Learning Environments Task Group
- Graduate Student Success Task Group